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WINNIPEG CARS ARE BOMBARDED

Company Tricked Into Sending Train for C. P. R. Shop Employees—Attacked by Mob On Its Return Trip

MEMBERS OF CREWS HURT BY MISSILES

Complete Service Promised for Today, But Prospect Doubtful—Public Fears Repetition of Former Strike Disorders

WINNIPEG, Dec. 19.—Strike disorders resembling the terrible siege of the street railway strike of four years ago last summer broke out this evening. A string of twelve of the largest cars was sent out about 6 o'clock to Weston to bring in Canadian Pacific Railway employes to the city. There are four thousand men employed at the shops, and complaints were made to the company that no effort had been made to bring this large class of mechanics to their homes, so the company made an extra endeavor to show their capability.

When the cars arrived at the shops sub-station, they waited patiently for passengers, but all the employes passed them, walking home. After a few minutes' wait the street car crew decided that a trap had been set for them, and made up their minds to start back empty. All went well for half an hour when the first car ran bump into a big obstruction of ties chained to the rails, and the second car went off the track in some mysterious way. While the crews were holding a council of war in the dark, in the midst of a blinding snowstorm, the vicinity became black with men. The crews had barely time to escape to the cars and hide under the seats when a fusilade of coal started.

This bombardment was kept up until every pane of glass was broken and the cars in other ways split and rendered useless for service. Then the rioters retreated and the men crawled out from under the seats bruised and battered.

A hurry call was sent in for the police, and a detachment soon arrived, but too late to be of service except to convey several men of the crew to the hospital to have bruises attended to and cuts sewed up.

There are fully 200 strike-breakers in the city, and the company promises a complete service tomorrow, but as the trades and labor council issued a statement today favorable to the strikers, there is every indication that the unions are back of the men, and only the military with live lead can bring this strike to an end.

The company, if it attempts to run cars after dark or outside the Main street lines, is bound to meet with similar opposition, and as days go by the sympathizers will grow bolder until no man can predict the end.

MR. BRODEUR DENIES

Says Report That He Is To Retire From Ministry And Go On Quebec Bench is "Malicious"

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur gives an indignant denial to the press reports that he is about to resign his seat in the cabinet to become chief justice and justice of the supreme court of Quebec. "This story," he said tonight, "had been printed at frequent intervals of late, and I have taken no notice of it. But now that it is repeated with so much detail I am bound to characterize it as malicious"

The minister added that he has no intention of resigning, but will proceed vigorously to carry out the policy of the government with regard to his department.

Hon. Mr. Brodeur's denial was called forth by local statements and the following despatch sent out from here:

"Sir Louis Jette, chief justice of Quebec, will retire on full superannuation in the near future, and it is understood Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, will succeed him as head of the Quebec bench. Dr. Beland, member for Beauce, who has been for some years slated for cabinet preferment, is in line for the vacancy which would be caused by Hon. Mr. Brodeur's retirement."

Illness of Judge Cameron

WINNIPEG, Dec. 19.—The condition of Judge J. D. Cameron, stricken by critical illness on Sunday in the Manitoba Club, shows improvement today.

Guilty of Murder

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 19.—Julian A. Mock, who killed Jesse A Smith in a quarrel in September last in Medford, was found guilty by a jury at Jacksonville today, of murder in the second degree. Mock claimed the killing was in self-defence.

Earthquake in California

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 19.—A sharp shock of earthquake was felt in this vicinity a few seconds after 5 o'clock this morning. At Santa Clara college, the vertical and horizontal seismographs both recorded it as approximately one and one-half minutes in duration. The direction was southeast. At Los Gatos, in the foothills, the shock was sharp, and at Gilroy it woke many from their morning slumbers.

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INVESTIGATING MINE DISASTER

Proceedings Of Coroner's Inquest at Bellevue Delayed by Objections of Jurymen — Want Scope Limited

BELLEVUE, Alta., Dec. 19.—The opening of the coroner's inquiry into the death of the thirty-one men who lost their lives in the explosion which occurred here Friday evening, December 9th, before the jury which had been sworn on Saturday after the explosion and which had viewed the bodies of the dead on that day and had been adjourned until today when the taking of evidence as to the cause of death, would commence, took place at the appointed hour, with representatives of all interested parties present.

Coroner Pinkney and the six jurymen were in their places, and Colin Campbell, representing the Alberta government Mr. Bigger of Edmonton, representing the Western Canada Coal company, Ltd., owners of the mine in which the explosion occurred, and H. A. Mackie of Edmonton, who appeared on behalf of the U. M. W. of A. were on hand to guard the interests of their respective clients.

Many mining men of note were present, including James Ashworth, of Fernie; R. G. Drinnan, late superintendent of the Hesmer mines; R. W. Coulthard, manager of the Western Canada Coal Company, Chief Inspector Stirling of Edmonton, Joseph G. S. Hudson, M. E., of the Department of Mines, Ottawa; President Powell of district eighteen, U. M. W. of A., Clem Stubbs, secretary, Carter J. O. Jones, and Charles Garner of the executive board of the district, and many others.

The jury was called, all answering to

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FARMERS' BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS

Eastern Institution Unable to Meet Liabilities At Clearing House—In Existence For Five Years

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—The Farmers' Bank, with head offices in Toronto and 31 branches in various towns and villages throughout Ontario, has suspended payment, and the doors will not open tomorrow morning. The capital stock is $1,000,000, with about $600,000 paid up, the shareholders numbering over one thousand, principally in small amounts. W. R. Travers is the general manager. The bank was organized only about five years ago.

The deposits in the various branch offices are, roughly speaking, $1,400,000. The suspension was brought about by the failure of the bank to meet its liabilities of $20,000 at the clearing house today.

The bank instituted proceedings against a former manager and clerks at Lindsay for conspiracy, and the evidence as to the bank's condition brought out at the trial caused runs on the branches all over the country.

Return to Work

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 19.—The striking machinists, blacksmiths, boilermakers and sheet metal workers of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain system will return to work Wednesday morning December 21.

LAST POLLINGS HELD YESTERDAY

When Final Returns Are Made Government Coalition is Likely to Have Majority Over Unionists of 126

NET LOSS OF ONE FOR OPPOSITION

Liberal Party Proper Will Have One Seat Less Than Unionists—Brief Period of Quiet Expected to Follow

LONDON, Dec. 19.—With the final balloting today, the general elections have come to a close. Today's results are not yet known, but the last three seats were formerly held by a Liberal, a Nationalist and an Independent Nationalist. The standing of the parties tonight is:

Government coalition—Liberals, 270; Laborites, 43; Nationalists, 72; Independent Nationalists, 10. Total, 395.

Opposition—Unionists, 272.

Coalition majority, 123.

The return of the Nationalist and the Independent Nationalist in the constituencies yet remaining to be heard from is considered certain, but there is a possibility of a change in Wick burghs, in Scotland, represented in the last parliament by a Liberal, R. Aurne. The Liberal majority in this district in the January election was 275, and it is considered doubtful if the Unionists can overcome this.

The elections have been the most remarkable in the history of British politics, and have upset the entire calculations of the Unionists, who had seriously expected to gain not less than twenty seats. On the contrary, the Unionists have not only gained nothing, but are likely in the end to suffer a net loss of one.

A brief period of quiet is expected to follow the final announcement tomorrow, and after that the government leaders will endeavor to carry into effect other important measures in the new parliament.

AVIATOR MEETS WITH ACCIDENT

Claude Grahame-White Falls From Height of 70 Feet—Soprith Flies From Dover To Belgium

DOVER, Eng., Dec. 19.—Claude Grahame-White, the English aviator, who recently won the international aviation cup at Belmont Park, N. Y., had a narrow escape from serious injury yesterday. His machine was wrecked and he was badly cut about the face. Many aviators have been waiting here for the last fortnight to compete for the prize of $20,000, offered by Baron DeForest, for the longest flight across the English channel in 1910, the flight to be made in an English-built machine.

Grahame-White ascended for a trial flight in a strong wind. He began to rock and was unable to recover his equilibrium. The machine turned over and plunged to the ground and was completely wrecked.

The aviator fell a little to one side. It was thought at first he had suffered concussion of the brain, as he was unconscious, but he soon revived and it was found that he had received nothing more than a few bad cuts about the face. It is expected he will be able within a week to start again. Grahame-White's fall did not exceed seventy feet.

A second competitor, Soprith, fared better. He left Eastchurch, Sheppey Island, at 8:35 o'clock in the morning, crossed from Dover to Calais and descended at Beaumont, Belgium, a distance of 174 miles.

Soprith completed his flight of 174 miles within three and one-half hours. This is the first time a British-made aeroplane has crossed the channel, and in addition, it is a record for distance under the conditions provided. No tugs or other craft followed the aviator, and no other precautions were taken against accident.

SEATTLE INVESTIGATION

Committee Report, Recommending Dismissal of Chief Wappenstein, Adopted By Council

SEATTLE, Dec. 19.—The city council graft investigating committee, which has been investigating the police and lighting departments of the city government for several months completed its work and filed its final report with the council tonight.

The report, which is an elaboration of the report filed several weeks ago, recommends the dismissal of Chief of Police Charles W. Wappenstein. The report was adopted with two dissenting votes.

As the council has no authority over the chief of police, the report must go to Mayor Hiram C. Gill for approval, and unless he agrees with the committee's findings, Wappenstein will remain at the head of the police department. The report also recommends that Sergeant Frank Bryant and two patrolmen who were on duty in the restricted district be severely disciplined, if not dismissed from the service, holding that they were either negligent or incompetent.

The committee finds that Richard M. Arms, superintendent of lighting, turned away profitable business and was over-cautious in seeking new contracts, but exonerates him on the charge of attempting to wreck the municipal light and power plant.

Conferring With Ministers

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—The Grain Growers' executive had a conference today with Sir Wilfrid Lauriel, Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. Mr. Fisher on the question of terminal elevators and the chilled meat industry. As no conclusions were arrived at, there will be further pourparlers tomorrow, when Mr. Graham will also be seen by the delegates in reference to the railway policy.

INQUIRING INTO CANADIAN TRADE

Australian Government Takes Up Question of Reciprocity With Dominion—Intervention in Carriers' Strike

MELBOURNE, Dec. 19.—The proposal for reciprocal trade conditions with Canada, which is likely to take practical shape in the Dominion, if, according to the cabled account, the resolution to come before the Ottawa parliament next month is adopted, has been taken up by the Commonwealth government. The trade department is at present collecting information as to the state of trade with the Dominion and as to what it might become in the event of the establishment of reciprocity. It is gathered that early action in regard to the question is probable.

Customs Frauds

Extensive customs frauds perpetrated by motor car importers have been discovered by the customs authorities here. Cars have been systematically undervalued. When the frauds were brought to light one firm was ordered to pay four thousand pounds shortage, and it agreed to this. At the same time penalties were inflicted for breach of the customs law. A number of other firms will be brought before the courts on like charges.

Government Intervenes

The intervention of the government in the carriers' strike at Adelaide has been brought about by the pressure of public opinion. The labor ministry has been compelled to instruct the police to prevent the molestation of free laborers and to secure the delivery of foodstuffs. The premier has been ad-

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EFFORT TO FREE PRINCE GEORGE

Tug Lorne Summoned To Aid of Stranded Grand Trunk Pacific Steamer—Grounded At Very High Tide

VANCOUVER, Dec. 20.—The tug Lorne is expected from Victoria this morning to pull the G. T. P. steamer Prince George from the north side of the First Narrows where she shoaled yesterday morning on her way from Victoria. At 10 o'clock this morning the tide will be within a few feet of its height at the time the steamer grounded, and it is believed by the company's officials that with the Lorne's well known powerful pull it will be an easy matter to float her.

Yesterday the C. P. R. steamer Joan and the tug Peerless made ineffectual attempts to drag her off. At the time of grounding she was picking her way carefully through the fog, and there was not perceptible shock when she was stopped. Reversal of her engines failed to budge her, and her own power combined with that of the two steamers showed no better results.

The chief difficulty is due to the fact that she went aground at an unusually high tide, and some shipping men are of the opinion that a very strong pull will be required to clear her. If she is floated at 10 o'clock she will dock at once, and continue her northbound voyage about three p. m.

GOTHAM SHAKEN BY EXPLOSION

Ten Dead and Over One Hundred Injured Through Illuminating Gas Being Fired By Electric Spark

EIGHT OF INJURED MAY SUCCUMB

Property Damage Estimated at From Two to Three Million Dollars—Street Car Overturned on Automobile

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The terrific explosion of illuminating gas in the auxiliary power house at the Grand Central station which sent a tremor along the entire rock backbone of Manhattan this morning, caused the death of ten persons, two of them women, the injury of 125 others, and property damage estimated tonight at from $2,000,000 to $3,000,000. Fire broke out in the shattered ruins of the power house again late tonight, but with a corps of police, searchers, and firemen on the scene, the blaze made little headway before being checked. It was a weird scene in and about the station as the night wore on.

No additional bodies were found, but in a hospital, Luther Johnstone, an electrician, succumbed to terrible injuries received in the explosion, bringing the death list up to ten.

Four workmen who are missing, are believed to have perished, and of the 125 injured, 98 were removed to hospitals. Of these, eight may die.

An investigation by the police is under way. Traffic on the New York Central railroad ceased entirely for some hours and was disorganized for the rest of the day, but the new station itself, now in process of construction, was not damaged.

The dead are: Nicoli Galucci, laborer; Patrick Jordan, laborer; E. B. Livermore, Pullman car inspector; C. M. Marrow, laborer; Edith Offner, stenographer; Mary B. Pope, of Boston, Mass.; Charles Roberts, expressman; Frank Stagg, watchman; John Ryan, laborer; Luther Johnstone, electrician.

The injured include laborers and other employees of the railroad, pedestrians, bystanders and others in the vicinity of the accident.

A passing surface car carrying seven passengers was lifted from its tracks and hurled on an automobile running alongside. Four of the seven passengers were killed outright, but the chauffeur of the motor car was only cut and bruised. Of the nearly 100 in hospitals, the following are most seriously injured: Unidentified woman, fractured skull; Michael Ryan, fractured skull and internal injuries; Yetta Abrahamsen, fractured skull and internal injuries; Theresa Lotta, fractured skull and shoulder; John Smith, injuries to the head; Francis Kelly, policeman, burned and bruised; John Cunningham, burned.

Caused By Gas.

For some hours it was believed dynamite alone could have wrought such instantaneous and demolishing havoc, but late in the afternoon Fire Chief Croker said he was convinced that the explosion was due to a mixture of air and illuminating gas, used in lighting railroad cars, touched off by an electric spark. The gas had accumulated in the auxiliary power-house from a broken pipe snapped off by a runaway passenger car.

Foundations were jarred, walls were shaken out of plumb, windows were blown in by the thousands, ceilings came crashing down on the heads of those beneath, and the pavements were littered with pulverized glass.

The loss to the New York Central Railroad company includes the physical damage done to the power-house, which was completely wrecked, the delay to construction work and the damage done to cars standing near the power-house.

As nearly as can be determined, this is how the accident occurred:

"A train of empty passenger cars hauled by an electric motor, in charge of Albert Seagreatt, got out of control, crashed into a steel and concrete buffer post, snapped it off and rammed a pile of lumber behind it into a gas main connecting with the taps from which the tanks of the passenger cars are charged. By the testimony of the motorman and John Quinn, a bricklayer working on the main power-house, the time of the break in the pipe was about 8 o'clock. Two clocks stopped by the jar fix the time of the explosion itself at 8:22.

By Electric Spark.

In the interval the broken main had ample time to pour high pressure gas into the lower levels of the auxiliary power-house. When workmen set to clearing away the lumber, it is assumed that one of them dropped a steel tool across the third rail, there was a flash of electricity and the great reservoir of accumulated gas exploded. What hap-

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THE GENERAL ELECTION

Issues of the Fight and Some of the Personalities Who Emerge From It

Vae victis! The battle is over—the sham fight is done, and each army is counting its survivors. In politics you don't count your dead: you leave them to be "counted out" by the public referee, and then they are left to bury themselves!

Well, "what is the result?" That is everybody's question; and the reply is "as you were."

Over $8,000,000 have been spent—that is to say spent on legitimate election expenses alone!—and the result of the "appeal unto Caesar" is that the "ins" and the "outs" are told to "go on as you were, and leave me alone."

Three returns are yet to come to hand, but in none is there likely to be any change. The result, therefore, is that the new

Composition of Parliament

is as follows:

Coalition—Liberals, 271 (last election, 275).

Labor, 43 (last election, 40).

Nationalists, 73 (last election, 71).

Independent Nationalists, 11 (last election, 11).

Coalition total, 398.

Opposition (Unionists), 272 (last election, 273).

These figures will be seen to give the government's coalition a gross majority of 126, which is actually an increase of two seats on its majority at the January election. It will be seen, however, that—despite the "crowings" of "Hen-Roost Robber" Lloyd George—the result is

Irish in Power.

Liberals and Labor are, for all practical purposes, to be found in the same lobby. These together number 314 against 272 of the Unionists—a majority of 42, exclusive of the Irish vote, when the Redmondites and O'Brienites both abstain from a division. The Government, therefore, whether they admit it or not, are in office merely "by kind permission of Mr. Redmond," and it is no use Premier Asquith getting "frothy" because his party forms the "scum" of the coalition majority.

Both the chief parties it will be noticed have lost a little, which may be taken as significant of the general awakening to the fact that the "party game is played out." The surprise of the election—to the political wire-pullers especially—is that the Labor party has gained three seats. The recent bickerings between the Socialists organizers, the Liberal-Labor miners' associations and the non-party trades-unionists who supported the much discussed Osborne judgment, which forbade levies for Parliamentary purposes, were thought to have dished the chances of most of the old Labor members. The Nationalists, too, have done well in gaining two seats—a fact which gives the lie to any statement that "Ireland does not want Home Rule." The gains, moreover, have been in the "English-infected" and Protestant district of Ulster. Three of the Independent Nationalists returned—Messrs. E. O'Sullivan, James McKean and Grinnell, are practically in harmony with the Redmond party.

Saturday night's wires announced two Unionist gains, in Montgomery and St. Andrews, in which the Liberal majorities were only 13 and 38 at the last elections in January. The government won the Banbury division of Oxford, when the Hon. Eustace Fiennes beat Captain R. B. Brassey, the son of Albert Brassey, a former member for the division.

"One Touch of (Irish) Nature."

At S. Dublin, W. Cotton, the Nationalist candidate, gained a rather surprising victory over Captain Bryan Cooper, a Unionist whose family—the Coopers of Sligo—have an historic and honorable record in the public life of Ireland. One or other of the Coopers have sat for County Sligo since 1832, and even before that in the old Irish Parliament, when Henry Grattan was swaying an Irish House of Commons with his amazing eloquence. The Nationalists—both in and out of the House—are always influenced by any touch of sentiment when they have to deal with any Irishman—even a "renegade" Unionist—whose forbears were members of the old Irish Parliament and—as in the Coopers' case—whose representative voted against the Act of Union. It was a similar recollection that made them forgive George Wyndham (though an unpopular Irish Secretary), and that endeared to them that fiery opponent, the late Colonel Saunderson. Captain Cooper, moreover, had commended himself to Irish patriots by selling his large Sligo property to his former tenants under the Irish Land Purchase Acts, a measure which the Unionists strenuously opposed. But the public has a short memory in politics, and Home Rule demands even the execution of a Cooper. Therefore, exit Captain Bryan! The least uninteresting and mediocre members returned on Saturday are:

John Dillon (N.) According to "Tim" Healy, John Dillon is a "melancholy humbug." As "Tim" himself is a very cheery humbug, he should know. John is certainly the "beau ideal" of what a mute at a funeral should be. In William O'Brien's "Recollections," he somewhere says of Dillon, whom he met in 1874: "His great height looked all the vaster for his thin and wasted limbs upon which the languor of death seemed to be fastening." John Dillon has since proved himself very much alive, much to the discomfort of "Woeful" William, who is none too cheery a Jonah himself. The melancholic surgeon is, nevertheless, a pathetic picture of the misery English rule can bring. Something has been written about him in these "Personalities in Parliament" in a previous issue, but we may recall a lifelong "vendetta" against "Tiger Tim"—who dubbed him the 'melancholy humbug," from which he has never rested save for a brief holiday in Galway Jail. Author of the abortive "Plan of Campaign," John is, however, Redmond's right-hand man, and perhaps the most respected, if least liked, of all his party. He possesses a positive genius for maintaining his dignity while losing his temper, and for dressing up an insult to resemble a rebuke.

William Abraham (Labor), better known as "Mabon," a Bardic title. Both names suit him, Abraham being appropriately patriarchal, and "Mabon" the name given him as one of the historic Druidical "bards" at the Welsh National Eisteddfodan each year. Has said that he thinks in Welsh, though he speaks in English. Has all a Welshman's passion for music, though in past days when fighting for the rights of Labor and better conditions for miners, he did not always promote "harmony" in the house. The son of a pitman, old "Mabon" has seen some explosive times. Since he became a miner's agent in 1873, has a large record of public usefulness. Anyhow, King Edward thought highly enough of this old miner to make him a member of the Privy Council last year. The "Grand Old Man" of Wales is worshipped in the mining centre of Rhondda valley, which returns him with majorities between 5,000 and 8,000 each time. Is vice-president of the South Wales sliding scale committee, which means more than it sounds. President of the South Wales Miners Federation, a magistrate and director of a big assurance company, the patriarchal "Mabon" has done good service as member of the Royal Commissions on Labor and on Mining Royalties. Getting old now, but a grand old warhorse, who still responds to the cry of "charge," and has a heart as big as his body. Cant be done? We don't know what can be done till we try—and then it takes us all our time to prevent it from being found out!

Colonel Greig (L.), well known member of the parliamentary bar, Colonel Greig commands that "doyen" of volunteer regiments, the London Scottish, otherwise known as the 14th Batt., County of London. Has the Victorian Decoration and Coronation medal. Has written learned books on all sorts and conditions of law that have driven many a student nigh to madness, but is immensely popular in the army, bar and parliament alike, a useful member of wide knowledge and impartial judgment and a rare good fellow.

Captain Gilmour (C.), son of a Fifeshire baronet, served in the South African war with the Fife Yeomanry, and was twice mentioned in despatches. Fought Premier Asquith in 1906 in East Fife, but despite, his local influence, got badly beaten. An authority on agricultural matters and small holdings, is an officer of several important agricultural societies in Scotland. Keen on co-operation, but can think and act for himself. Does sometimes much to the anxiety of his party leaders.

Sir J. C. Rickett (L.) Ever heard of "Reckitt's Blue?" Well, this isn't it, but it might be, for Captain Rickett is a rabid reformer of the extremely blue type. Sat for Scarborough till he caused a "split" even among his own party. Like most of the self-sacrifice-preaching brigade, amassed a lot of money in coal and other ways not quite so black. Is too good to live, but does so "bro bono publico." Makes one feel to look at him that "wickedness" is an invention of the "good" people to account for the singular attractiveness of others!

Sir J. H. Bethell (L.), sits for Romford Div. of Essex, the largest one-member constituency in the United—or any other—kingdom. Only got a majority of a little over 300, out of 44,000 who went to the poll—to say nothing of another 10,000 who seem to have stayed away. Is a "big pot" in London politics, and has a big business in Romford as a real estate agent and auctioneer. Therefore, he knows how to "knock down" his opponents. Isn't worth "raffling" himself, but could retire if he sold self esteem by the bushel.

Major A. C. Morrison-Bell (U.), "elder" twin brother of the victor of Mid-Devon. Served in Canada as A. D. C., and later in South African war. Fought at Paardeberg, and was called to assist Lord Roberts in formation of the S. M. R. C. Has also acted in the exciting but enviable capacity of King's Messenger—the foreign office attache whose duty is to carry personally private and any important state letters to other countries, and run the gauntlet of foreign secret service spies. His state service, therefore, has been as interesting and varied as it has been useful. A big fellow and a keen sportsman. One of the best shots in the country, and was adjutant at Bisley for a number of years. Bisley is, of course, the place, where all the ammunition is wasted. Great mountaineer, he may be able to "top" some of the tall stories of Churchill, Ure & Co.

Sir Luke White (L.), did "look white," when he found he had to fight Young Major Mark Sykes, D. S. O.—one of the Unionists' coming men, and a well-known explorer. A solicitor, who is chiefly distinguished from most of his breed by being "steady and slow," he is an ideal coroner. As one who sits on the dead, is a good chairman of the select committees, whose duty it is to murder and mutilate parliamentary bills.

Eugene O'Sullivan (I. N.), is an "independent"—more or less, but rather less. A born subject of the "Kingdom of Kerry," he has more relatives and relatives-in-law than any other man, woman, child, or other animal in East Kerry. Maybe, his family returned him—maybe not. Seems quite a prophet on his own potato-patch, anyway. Started life as a drapers' assistant, but has taken the "measure" of the house since then. Unlike most Irish M. P.'s—who are mainly dyspeptic journalists with game legs or one eye—he is a keen athlete, and a warm proposition in Gaelic football (which is worse than it sounds.) Thoroughly enjoys the parliamentary "scrum," but doesn't like "packed" juries.

O. C. Locker Lampson (U.), a young "exquisite," named Oliver, Stillingfleet, Locker Lampson. After that, you can guess he is the son of a poet of some notoriety. Tried to take "honors" in two Triposes (modern languages and history), but strained a brain that wasn't meant for so much, and only got a "third class" in each. Besides, he used to try and act, too. Succeeded better off the stage, than on. Why he is in politics, can't say. Ought to be in a stained glass window.

P. J. O'Shaughnessy (I. N.), with his name ought to be important. Is only self-important, so let it go at that.

A. C. Morton (L.), sour grapes! Expected office in ministry long ago, and didn't get it. Since discovered how incapable other men are. Pity the Empire can't be run by Alpheus, Cleophas Morton. Isn't it a lovely drama? Better to scare foreign crows off then the "Rainbow." Viewed with C. A. V. Conybeare (who is not now a member, thanks be to Providence) in being the most persistent and least attractive orator in the house.

Dr. C. O'Neill (N.), his name has two L's. Lives, therefore, in purgatory; not in the peerage. Lives in Lanark, Scotland, but sits for S. Armagh in Ireland. Is one of those self-exiled "pathriots," who without living in the land, will "sacrifice" themselves so far as to sit in a "British" parliament. Needless to say, is an Ulsterman. Was formerly in the licensing trade. Thinking of pure beer, turned his thoughts to medicine. He took it up, got a double degree as Master in Surgery and Bachelor of Medicine, and became assistant professor of botany at Glasgow. Retired from practice as surgeon ten years ago, but has "cut up rough" in politics since.

T. G. Ashton (L.), entered parliament with a great flourish of trumpets, which proved to be 5-cent quality. To justify expectations, he made a bit of a noise at first, but the walls of the Unionist Jericho did not fall down.

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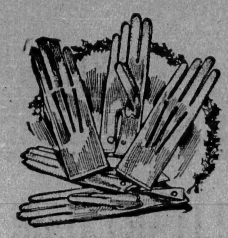

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SOOKE MEASURE STILL NOT PASSED

Warm Session of City Council Held Until Midnight With By-law No Further Advanced—Personal References Feature

After a discussion which lasted until midnight and during which motives were called into question, aldermen declared by the mayor to be acting in a dishonorable manner, and an amount of recrimination and back biting which is seldom seen in council debate, the bylaw introduced last Monday night to authorize the acquisition of Sooke lake, Sooke river and tributaries as a source of water supply for Victoria was laid over until a special meeting to be held on Thursday night when doubtless the same old arguments will again agitate the minds of the civic fathers.

The bylaw was read a first time a week ago but laid over until the aldermen might have an opportunity of examining its contents. When it came up last night Alderman Langley submitted a report of the legislative committee, a meeting of which was held yesterday afternoon, to the effect that after having carefully considered the measure the committee was of the opinion that the data with reference to such a scheme is wholly insufficient to enable either the council or the ratepayers to form an intelligent idea upon any one essential feature. The report continued: "In the words of Mr. H. M. Burwell's report of May 21, 1910, it would be folly for any person to express an opinion as to the advisability of proceeding with an undertaking of such magnitude without the most thorough investigation of the available supply. Nothing should be taken for granted in this connection; surveys and measurements should be made to absolutely determine the annual run-off from the drainage area of Sooke lake and the adjoining drainage areas which can be diverted into this lake." This report was signed by Aldermen Langley, Bishop, Bannerman, McKeown and Mable.

On the strength of the above suggestion of Mr. Burwell the legislative committee based its recommendation that the bylaw to raise $1,500,000, the amount stated as sufficient to develop Sooke lake, should not be submitted but that instead a bylaw to raise $25,000 for the purpose of making tests, obtaining plans, etc., be submitted. Appended to the report was a communication from the city solicitor which read as follows:

Solicitor's Opinion

Sir:—Replying to your enquiry as to the possibility of so drawing a by-law that it will effect a complete exemption of that part of the city which is supplied by the Esquimalt Water Works Company with water from any liability to pay any sum at any time for any water brought in from Sooke lake, unless they also use the water, I would say that I have given the matter a very great deal of thought and attention, and I am convinced that under the present act there is absolutely no way of relieving Victoria West from an obligation in that regard.

There are in the statute apparently two ways in which the by-law can be drawn; one is directly upon the security of the water rental alone, and, secondly, on the water rental with the guarantee of the corporation, but I do not think there are two ways. If you mortgage your house, you give the mortgagee the security of the house, but you also give him a personal covenant, and, having received the money, you are necessarily bound to pay it back even should the house not be worth the money which you had borrowed—that is, your other assets are also pledged indirectly for the security of the assets pledged directly. In this case it would be the corporation that borrows the money. The corporation's credit will stand pledged in the money markets of the world even if it is expressed to be on the security of the water rental alone, and, if the water rental is not sufficient, or is not made sufficient, there is nothing that can be done except to pay out of general revenue, from time to time, as it is not sufficient.

The Consequence

Even if this argument should be attacked and held to be not good, then you are put in this position: Your bonds issued under the security of the water rentals alone would not sell, for the simple reason that the control of what the water rentals shall be is from year to year placed in the hands of a council elected by the citizens, and, if the council should feel inclined not to raise by rentals sufficient to make it so, that the water rentals would not be adequate for the payment of the interest and sinking fund, the debenture holder would have no security (if the position I take in a former part of this letter be not correct), so that he would be at the mercy of each individual council from year to year as to what rate was charged for water, a position that no man lending money to the city would take, and you could sell no bonds on any such basis.

If the guarantee of the corporation is annexed to it, the same thing follows. It is certain that at the beginning the water rentals would have to go up. It would always be in the power of the council to reduce the rentals if they reduced the rentals to a point so that there would not be enough water rentals to pay the necessary outgoings, then the general revenue would have to make it up. To this general revenue, under the present statute, Victoria West would have to contribute, and as one year's council cannot bind another, it is absolutely futile to talk of so amending the by-law as to exempt Victoria West from any liability to pay for Sooke lake water. It may be quite true that "that possibility is remote," and also that "you will never get a council who would dare to do such a thing," but I do not conceive that I am called upon to prophesy upon what succeeding councils would do. The only thing I can point out is that I cannot draw a by-law in any shape or form, under the present statute, which will not leave either the debenture holder or Victoria West at the mercy of a majority of the individuals who compose the council of the corporation from year to year during the fifty years that the debentures will run.

It has been suggested that exemption for Victoria West might be arrived at, by fixing in the by-law the amount of the water rentals at sufficient to cover the whole of the sinking fund, interest and expense of operation. I do not view this proposition with any favor. To fix it now prevents the possibility of, for fifty years, reducing the rates no matter what the increase in the population of the city, and if the population should increase and the water rentals rise above what is sufficient, the balance or surplus would go into general revenue to the advantage of Victoria West and to the disadvantage of the rest of the city, which also is a most unfair proposition.

F. A. M'DIARMID,
City Solicitor.

Question of Order.

Mayor Morley referred to the council's resolution recently passed that a by-law should be submitted to the ratepayers and he did not remember any motion to refer the by-law to the legislative committee.

Alderman Langley, chairman of the committee, pointed out that by a resolution early in the year all by-laws must go to the legislative committee before being considered in council. The measure had been shot into council without any reference to the committee which had met and taken upon itself to pass upon the measure. Alderman Bannerman claimed it had been put before the council under false pretences.

Mayor Morley declared he had received no notice of any meeting of the committee and was reminded by Alderman Sargison that evidently it was like the recent case of the license commission whereat the mayor forgot to attend.

When the by-law came up for consideration the discussion was, in spots, a stormy one. Alderman Langley moved, in amendment to the motion that the by-law be read a second time, a lengthy preamble to replace the by-law preamble of some twenty sections. His amendment followed the line of the legislative committees report. He declared there was nothing to show how the $1,500,000, the suggested cost of the work, has been arrived at, and there was nothing to indicate what route or routes would be followed while the reports on the capacity of the lake and other features have been so divergent that it was wisdom to get all necessary data first. On the basis of $1,500,000 as the cost the increase in water rates the first year, would be nearly twenty-five per cent.

"That is if all the money were borrowed," said the mayor, a statement which Alderman Langley dubbed a pure political dodge.

Alderman Fullerton, referring to the defeat of the Esquimalt Water Works by-law and the tacit promise on the part of those aldermen favorable to that measure to permit of a Sooke by-law being put, believed Alderman Langley and the others who signed the report were not sincere. The information already obtained should be admitted.

Wants the Facts.

Alderman Bannerman claimed that he had no desire to prevent the people saying whether they desired to go to Sooke Lake, but he did not want them to vote without knowing what they would be voting for. Mr. Burwell had estimated $1,200,000, supposing 4,000 acres were secured. In the recent election campaign on the Esquimalt Water Works by-law a circular issued by friends of Sooke Lake it was stated that Sooke Lake watershed three times that of Esquimalt. The latter contains 14,000 acres, so if the city wants the whole watershed it will cost much more than Mr. Burwell's figures. This discrepancy in figures should be explained. Then Alderman Bannerman accused the mayor with suppressing Mr. Burwell's first report, an assertion which the mayor denied, explaining that it was not satisfactory to himself and the water commissioner, and another had been asked for which was before the council.

Alderman Bannerman referred to the fact that in the by-law the revenue of the present water works is placed at $150,000 next year. This year it was $121,000 and barely met the expenditures without leaving anything for interest and sinking fund on $1,500,000 the amount proposed to be expended. He believed that to go to Sooke and charge the whole cost to the water rates will cost an extra $69,000 a year, and if it costs two million, $92,000. There are now about 6,200 subscribers, that is, it will cost an average service $14 to $15 more per year. It will mean that the city will have to fall back upon general revenue to make up the deficiency and that will mean that Victoria West will be forced to pay a share.

Mayor Morley accused Alderman Bannerman of "changing his face" on the matter. The only way to get an estimate of cost is to get a bona fide tender. No contractor would tender if a $25,000 by-law were passed because he would not be assured that the work would even then be gone on with. As to revenue Mayor Morley stated that the estimate of next year's income had been prepared by the water commissioner. It absolutely depended on the passing of the by-law whether the city fell into the hands of the Esquimalt Water Works Company. At the last session of the legislature the city had difficulty in blocking the application of Oak Bay for the right to construct a pipe line across the city to connect with the Esquimalt Water Works Company, and it was understood by the legislature that the city must within the next twelve months secure a larger source of supply. If hat is not done the next legislature will doubtless give Oak Bay what it is asking for.

Vetoes Amendment.

Mayor Morley refused to permit Alderman Langley's amendment being put, declaring that he would veto it. He was aware the rules of parliamentary procedure permitted it, but such rules are too wide. He claimed many people in Victoria West are in favor of the measure. Even if Goldstream had been purchased the city would sooner or later have had to go to Sooke Lake and the two expenditures would have greatly increased the water rates. With Sooke the city could supply Victoria West at a less rate than could the Esquimalt Water Works Company. If that is so Victoria West can demand a service from the city.

Alderman Bannerman pointed out that when the mayor spoke of contractors being willing to bid when the money is in sight, his worship failed to state that by the terms of the measure even if the by-law does pass and tenders are received yet no agreement which would be made so that the contractor's security is little better than would be the case were but $25,000 spent first to secure necessary data and then tenders called for.

Alderman Mable very much doubted if the residents of Victoria West are in favor of the by-law. Present rates there are as cheap as they will be from the city for the next twenty years, even if Sooke Lake is secured.

Mayor Morley in again putting his plea before the council, declared an attempt was being made to "murder" the by-law by most dishonorable

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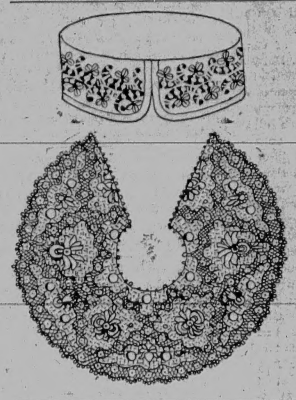

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THE C. P. R. AND THE ISLAND

The great progress made in Victoria and Vancouver Island during the last six years cannot, perhaps, be attributed to any one thing; but it will hardly be denied that the policy of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has contributed a great deal to bring about the condition of things upon which we all so much and so justly congratulate ourselves. Those who were living in Victoria at the time will remember how, with a feeling almost akin to bereavement, we heard of the sinking of the City of Kingston. It seemed as if we had met with a loss that could never be fully made up to us. There came the days of the Utopia, a steamer which give a black eye to Victoria every time she sailed from her Seattle wharf. The Vancouver service was better, and some of us were disposed to think that with the Charmer on the regular run and the Yosemite on the lay-over days we were not very badly off, and, if the truth may be told, a sail across the Gulf and among the Islands on a fine summer day, when the sea was smooth, aboard the old Yosemite is a pleasant recollection in the minds of many people. Passengers, we may tell later arrivals, were then landed at the Hudson Bay wharf, and a list of them and of the freight consignees was sent up to the Colonist for publication, it being a rare occasion when both of them filled more than three or four inches of space. Then came the Clallam accident, and the entry of the Canadian Pacific upon the scene, not simply to carry on the business of the old C. P. Navigation Company, which it had acquired, but as a progressive and aggressive competitor in the whole field of coastwise water transportation. The splendid fleet of Princesses was the result: The May, the Beatrice, the Royal, the Victoria, the Charlotte, the Adelaide, and the Ena, the latter a freighter exclusively. Besides these there are others building and soon to arrive on the scene. Then came the new docks and the Empress Hotel. Then followed the acquisition of the E. & N. railway, the improvement of the line, its extension to Alberni, soon to be completed, the beginning of work on extension to the northern end of the Island, the beginning of the railway from Crofton to Cowichan lake, the clearing of land and the bringing in of settlers. All these things have necessitated the expenditure of many millions of dollars, and if an outsider can form a trustworthy opinion, the money has been well and profitably spent. Compare travel today with what it was only five years ago, and it seems hardly possible that so great a change could have come about on so short a time.

We all welcome the coming of the Canadian Northern, work on the Island division of which will be begun within a few weeks; we all expect much from the new railway, and there is no reason to fear that we shall be disappointed; but the present occasion, now that the advertisements of the C. N. R. have been published, seems a fitting one to recall what the C. P. R. has done for Victoria and Vancouver Island. What has been done has not been done in any altruistic spirit. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy and Mr. Marpole would be amused if it were suggested to them that they were inspired by any feeling other than far-seeing business judgment in shaping the policy of their company as it has been shaped. When Sir Thomas meets his Board of Directors he does not justify his course by saying it was adopted in kindness to the people of Victoria and Vancouver Island. He defends it on business grounds. But this does not in any way alter the obligation we are under to that company, an obligation to recognize what it has done, is doing and is likely to do in the immediate future for the welfare of the Island community. It may be said that recognition of an obligation in words only is not of much value, but we are not sure about this. So far as we know the Canadian Pacific is asking nothing of the people of Vancouver Island but fair play. We think, however, that our people ought to reflect as far as they can the energy and enterprise of the great company by seizing hold of the opportunities for business and general development which it has opened to them. They can emulate the splendid example which the company has set.

Special mention ought to be made in this connection of the admirable success, which Capt. J. W. Troup has rendered this city and his company in connection with their coastwise service. His broad and intelligent grasp of the requirements of the situation merit and receive the hearty appreciation of the citizens. He has been a good friend to Victoria, and a faithful representative of the organization with which he is associated.

THE INTERCOLONIAL.

It appears to be the intention of the government to extend the Intercolonial Railway into counties in Nova Scotia that have as yet no railway facilities. This statement was made by the Minister of Railways on a motion to that effect moved in the Commons by Mr. Mackenzie of Cape Breton and supported by Mr. Borden. In the course of the discussion the Minister said that on the return of Mr. Fielding the government would take up this and one or two other large projects, but he did not go any further into particulars. Speaking of the Intercolonial he said that the administration of that railway was the most difficult thing the government had to deal with, and he gave as a reason the fact that the business of the railway is discussed in the Public Accounts Committee in such detail as no private corporation would think of permitting its affairs to be made known, and that the business management of the railway is thereby handicapped to a degree that only those who are responsible for it can understand. He suggested that the accounts of the railway might with advantage be taken out of the hands of the general committee and be placed before a special committee, whose deliberations would not be open to the public. This seems like a reasonable proposition. We can understand very well how any railway management must be under a disadvantage in competition with others, when every detail of its work is open to inspection by its rivals, and it has no means of finding out similar particulars about other roads. There will, of course, be the obvious objection to keeping any financial matters of a public nature from the general public, and in the long run we suppose the whole question comes down to one of expediency, of which it is not very easy for outsiders to form a very definite opinion.

BRITISH POLITICS.

At this writing the Liberals and Unionists have each elected 271 members of the House of Commons. The Laborites have 43, the Nationalists 72 and the Independent Nationalists 10. In Great Britain the ministry has a majority of about 40 over the Opposition. We have not the popular vote at hand and so are unable to compare the voting strength of the two parties. A brief resume of events that have led up to the existing conditions will be timely. The House of Lords declined to pass the Budget of 1909, and thereby compelled a dissolution. The issue in the election which then ensued was somewhat confused, for to some extent tariff reform and the alleged inadequacy of the government's naval policy were mixed up with the new taxes imposed by the Budget, the veto power of the House of Lords and Home Rule. The Budget was accepted by the Lords immediately, for they regarded the issue of the election as a mandate from the people on that question. They declined to consider it as a mandate to the government in respect to the constitution and powers of their body. Mr. Asquith then brought down his proposals for the limitation of the veto power; certain leaders among the peers expressed themselves ready to agree to a reform in the contsitution of the hereditary chamber, and the result was a conference between representatives of the two parties. This conference failed to reach a conclusion, whereupon the ministry submitted to the Commons its proposals in regard to the veto, and the Lords expressed their views in a series of resolutions. As neither party would recede from its position, and as Mr. Asquith had given his pledge that he would not continue to carry on the government unless he had some guarantee that measures adopted by the Commons would be dealt with by the Lords on their merits alone and not from a party point of view, there was no other course open to him except to ask for a dissolution, which His Majesty accordingly granted. The composition of the new house is substantially the same as that of the old one and as the Lords looked upon the result of the January election as a sufficient mandate as to the Budget, it will be interesting to see if they will now take the position that there has not been a sufficient mandate on the constitutional question. We have endeavored in the discussion of these questions to avoid as far as possible any expression of opinion, but we say frankly that, as much as we favor democratic institutions the proposals of the Lords were in our humble judgment to be preferred to those of the ministry. But this only in passing.

The name of the King has been brought up in connection with the present situation but we do not see any necessity for supposing that he will not accept the advice tendered him by his constitutional advisers, backed by a majority of the House of Commons. We do not suppose for a single moment that it will be necessary for the ministry to ask His Majesty to create a sufficient number of peers to carry the Commons' measure through the Lords; neither do we think that the Lords will attempt to force another appeal to the people. They will probably endeavor to reach a common ground with the Commons, so that a continuation of the present crisis can be prevented. The time has come when the sober commonsense of the British people must prevail. A House of Peers more than a thousand strong, augmented numerically for the purpose of voting itself out of existence, is something that neither Lords nor Commons can possibly desire to see.

The Christmas section of the Vernon News is a thing of beauty typographically, and in the character of its contents it cannot be surpassed. We congratulate our contemporary upon this evidence of prosperity.

By the death of Michael King, Victoria has lost one of her most picturesque figures as well as one of her best known and most highly esteemed citizens. In his own particular line of work, timber cruising, he had few equals and no superiors.

When projected railways have been completed—and there seem to be no great difficulties in the way—the journey from London to Bombay will occupy only seven days. There are about 1,600 miles of railway to be built.

To crumple up a street car transfer in Toronto is an offence against the statute in such case made and provided, but unless the papers of that city misrepresent the facts, the tramway company can crumple up its passengers as it pleases and yet violate nothing but their feelings.

Our friends in the Mother Country are ingenious at election times, but the candidate who posted his bride's portrait on every available billboard in his constituency seems very near reaching the limit. After this the fact that he took her everywhere he went on his canvassing tour seems commonplace.

Mr. Gouldthrite is conceded by the government to have played high jinks with the public money in the Ottawa printing bureau. Incidentally it may be mentioned that Mr. Gouldthrite is dead. The latter fact may or may not explain the former, but the admission that a live man had been engaged in such a business remains to be put on record.

In 1841 there were 16,000,000 people living in the United Kingdom, of whom 2,300,000 were employed on the land. In 1901 only 988,500 were employed on the land, although the population had risen to 32,500,000. The Morning Post thinks that at present one person in every thirty-six is employed on the land. These are very startling figures.

Viscount Morley thinks the only formidable obstacle to the solution of all the problems of British politics is "race prejudice," by which he means the prejudice of the Irish against the English and vice versa. So called class prejudices can, he thinks, be disregarded or trusted to adjust themselves to each other.

The Toronto Globe estimates that the cost of maintaining the schools in that city in 1911 will be at least $1,500,000 and the expenditure on accommodation fully three quarters of a million. Vancouver is not as big as Toronto by a good deal, but it contemplates spending a million in new school buildings next year. It costs something to "teach the young idea how to shoot."

The Premier of Prince Edward's Island is reported to have said that there will be a rebellion in that province if its representation in the Commons is reduced. It is all very well to laugh at this as we observe most of our contemporaries are doing, but if they would put themselves in the place of the Islanders they would not think the outlook for representation very funny. If Quebec continues to increase and Prince Edward's Island to decrease in population the time is not very far away when the little province will have only one member in the House of Commons. Surely this is a possibility that the Fathers of Confederation never contemplated.

Count How Many Days You Have to Buy Your Christmas Presents

CHRISTMAS GIFTS IN HIGH CLASS BRASSWARE

Here are some presents for Christmas that are of the very latest. They are unequalled and designs are the most artistic that have ever been seen. We want you to see this brassware. We are under the impression you have never seen anything like it before. Most of the gifts are for men, but there are some which the ladies will appreciate. Here are only a few of the articles and their prices:

Cigarette Boxes	$4.50
Fern Pot, porcelain lined	$3.50
Smoke Tray with Lighter and Four Stands for Cigars or Cigarettes	$4.50
Ash Trays	$1.25
Combination Ash Trays and Match Holders	$2.50
Combination Ash Trays and Cigar Cutter	$1.00
Latest Style Ash Tray	$1.50
Ash Trays, with painted sporting designs in centre, $2.00 and	$1.00
Jobacco Jars	$2.50
Ink Stands, with single glass bottles, the very latest, handsome designs, $2.50, $2.00 and	$1.50
Ink Stands, all brass	$2.50
Large Fern Pots with porcelain lining, very handsome	$5.50
Stationery Holders	$3.00
Smokers' Sets, some consisting of 3 and some 4 pieces, with tray, $7.50, $7.00, $6.50, $6.00, $5.50 and	$4.00

ODD CUPS AND SAUCERS

We have a great number of Cups and Saucers which we got as samples. These will make excellent Christmas gifts, as they are beautifully handpainted in many different designs. We have them priced very reasonably.

Aynsley's China, $2.00, $1.75, $1.50, $1.25, $1.00, 75c and ..... 50¢

A WONDERFUL ASSORTMENT OF TEA SETS

If you really want exceptionally fine gifts to give to a friend this Christmas, and which won't cost you very much, one of our Tea Sets will interest you. We have them in all kinds of designs and many are exceptionally artistic.

40-Piece Tea Sets, from $50.00 to $5.00

This is an assortment to choose from.

22-Piece Tea Sets. Special at	$3.00
24-Piece Tea Sets. Special at	$4.00
Tea Set, 6 cups and saucers, and 6 plates, in white and gold. Per set	$3.00

CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT OUR STORE IN GREAT VARIETY

JARDINIERES

For an assortment to choose from for a Christmas gift, we have a beautiful selection of Jardinieres. These jardinieres we carry will be appreciated as handsome Christmas gifts. We have them in Wedgwood, Devonshire ware, Bretby ware, Doulton and many others to choose from, from 25¢ upwards.

ANY ARTICLE, $1.00

If you give us a call you will be surprised at what you can buy at our store from now to Christmas for the sum of $1.00. We have a table laden with the choicest Christmas gifts. We herewith mention a few. All kinds of Vases, Teapots, Jardinieres, Jugs, Plates, Cups and Saucers, Tobacco Jars, Shaving Sets, Book Racks, etc., etc.

SEE OUR ROYAL VISTA WARE

Beautiful scenes and animals, etc., from paintings by some of the famous artists, adorn these articles. One piece of this ware will make a valuable Christmas gift. Any piece of this ware will look beautiful on a plate rail. We want you to see these. We herewith mention a few of the pieces, giving you an idea of the reasonable prices:

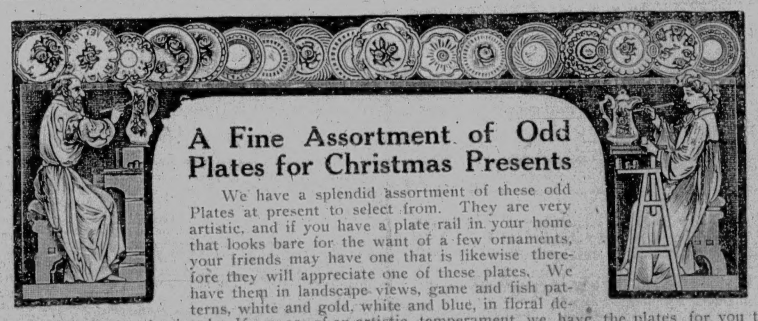
Bon Bon Dishes	65¢
Plates	25¢
Cheese Dishes	50¢
Bowls	50¢
Jubs, $1.25, 85c and	50¢
Mugs, 50c and	25¢
Sugars and Creams, per pair	85¢
Cups and Saucers	35¢
Kensington Tray	$1.25
Mustard Pots	50¢
Large Jardinieres	$2.00
Tumblers	25¢
Cigarette Trays	25¢
Roll Trays	$1.50

YOUR CHOICE FOR 25¢

You can buy four articles from our assortment of Christmas gifts at 25¢ each. These articles are no cheap trash, but comprise many useful gifts which will be appreciated—Cups and Saucers, Berry Plates, Match-holders, Vases, Jardinieres, Bowls, Ornaments, Tumblers, all kinds of Plates, Hair Receivers, Cream Jugs, Shaving Mugs, Teapots. You can also have your choice of an assortment of gifts which we have arranged for you at 15¢, 10¢ and 5¢. Don't fail to see these. You can get twenty gifts here for $1.00.

GIFTS OR WATER SETS at $2.50, 2.25... $2.00

See Our Windows With Suggestions For Xmas



A Fine Assortment of Odd Plates for Christmas Presents

We have a splendid assortment of these odd Plates at present to select from. They are very artistic, and if you have a plate rail in your home that looks bare for the want of a few ornaments, your friends may have one that is likewise therefore they will appreciate one of these plates. We have them in landscape views, game and fish patterns, white and gold, white and blue, in floral designs. Many of these are hand painted. If you are of an artistic temperament we have the plates for you to work on. Come and see these on our first floor, it takes but a minute. Prices are $12.00, $5.00, $4.00, $3.00, $2.50, $2.25, $2.00, $1.75, $1.50, $1.00 and 50¢.

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Has removed to office No. 404
PEMBERTON BLOCK

For Your Xmas Tree
Tinsel, Zephyr Ornaments, Xmas Bells, Santa Claus Stockings, Bon-Bons and Fancy Novelties
Come In and See Our Stock of Christmas Goods
Have you bought one of Harry Webb's Christmas Plum Puddings? We have a few left at 35c, 65c, $1.00

A. Pool, Grocery
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In all kinds of
CAKES, PIES, CANDIES, and other
CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES
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It's O.K. if Christie has it

Christie's Christmas Stockings

are the right kind. Indeed, they'll hold the most value—the good understandings of your whole family. Why not get a pair for each one? We carry

A Full Line of Hosiery for Men, Women and Children

You could fill them for Xmas with Toys, Candies, Gifts, etc. After that the recipients would no doubt like to fill them with portions of their own anatomy. We have, of course, any amount of other gift hints: Boots, Shoes, Leggings, Rubbers, Gum Boots, etc. If you don't want to present Boots,

Why Not Slippers?

They are very popular as Holiday Presents.

Ladies' Evening Slippers, all shades $3.50
Ladies' Jaeger Brand Felt Slippers, $1.50 to 75c
Ladies' Bedroom Slippers, (felt), $1.50 to 50c
Ladies' Felt "Juliets" charming house slippers, $2.00 to $1.00
Men's Kid "Romeos," just the indoor shoe a man likes to wear, $3.00 to $1.50
Men's Felt Slippers, $2.00 to 85c
Children's Felt Slippers, $1.50 to 25c
Boys' and Girls' Slippers, kid and felt, $3.00 to 40c
Slippers, for the wee tots, an immense variety, all sizes and shades.

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CHAMPION
SHOE REPAIRING DEPOT
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Quickest and best place to get Shoes Repaired.
YOUNG & MANTON

D. E. Dugdale, manager of the Seattle team, just home from the east, says to Seattle scribes that President Cohn was the big hit of the baseball meeting in Chicago last month, and that all of the minor league heads were envious because Joseph P. coralled the time of Camiskey and Murphy while loafing in the hotel lobbies.

Little & Taylor's Christmas Prices

Timely Gift Suggestions

Cuff Links—With the large signet tops, $1 upward.
Diamonds—Genuine, as low as $5. Fine, perfect ones at $25 upwards.
Signet Rings—$1 to $25, solid gold.
Bracelets — The satisfactory kind, $1 upwards.
Men's Vest Chains, $2 upward, in gold-filled that wears.
Watches—Nickel, $1 to $10; silver, $5 upwards; gold filled, $7.85 upwards.
Scarf Pins—Beauties in solid gold, $1.50 upward.
Chains—In both ladies and gents', $2 upward.
Fobs—For ladies and gentlemen, $1.50 upward.
Lockets and Chains, $2.50 upward.

LITTLE & TAYLOR The Store of Value

PROPOSED THEATRE TO BE OPEN HOUSE

City Conucil Passes Measure Which Will Go To Ratepayers For New Up-to-date Play House

Once again the theatre proposition came before the city council last night, when a bylaw incorporating an agreement between the city and a number of prominent residents, headed by Mr. Simon Leiser, whose indefatigable efforts have kept the project alive, was submitted and put through its various stages. The measure will now go before the ratepayers at the forthcoming civic elections, and on the result of the vote will depend whether or not Victoria is to have an up-to-date theatre in the near future. Under the new scheme no syndicate or theatrical organization will have any exclusive interest in the theatre, which is to be purely a public proposition.

Gist of Agreement

The agreement, which is between Mr. Simon Leiser (though other gentlemen will be associated with him) and the city, sets forth that Mr. Leiser is to form an incorporated company having a capital stock of not less than $100,000 and not more than $150,000 outside the land value of the property sought from the city, and none of the stock, which will be common stock solely, shall be sold for less than its par value. At least $100,000 shall be spent upon the theatre to be located at the northwest corner of Douglas street and Belleville street, having a frontage on Douglas of 120 feet and on Belleville of 200 feet. This property, when the theatre is built and equipped, is to be transferred by the city to the company, the city receiving $25,000 worth of fully paid and non-assessable shares of the company, and one person nominated by the city shall be appointed on the directorate of five which shall manage and control the theatre, and if the theatre be leased, will lease the same so that it will be continuously in operation throughout the season. If the company ceases to do business, is wound up, or if it be not operated for any continuous period of twelve months, the building and land will revert to the city. The company must commence building operations within a year.

Alderman Fullerton asked if, in the framing of the agreement, any attention had been paid to the request of the Single Tax Association that the city should not give the land, but instead should lease it, taking a nominal rental in return.

Alderman Mable, one of the city council committee to take up with Mr. Leiser the details of the scheme, stated the city cannot lease the land for more than twenty years, and as the gentlemen interested proposed to put up $100,000, it could not be expected that they would do so on so short a lease.

Alderman Langley urged that the house be kept an open one and Mayor Morley pointed out that the directors would be at all times in control.

MORE QUESTIONS FOR ELECTORS

City Council Asked to Submit Referendum at Next Election On Some Important Points—Commission Government

At the forthcoming election the ratepayers will have an opportunity of voting on a referendum covering a number of important matters. A petition signed by 122 resident electors was last night submitted to the city council praying that the following questions be submitted in the form of referendum in order to secure an expression of opinion of the electorate.

1. Shall the business of the city be administered by elected commissioners, leaving to the council matters of legislation and policy only?
2. Shall improvements be exempt from taxation?
3. Shall provision be made for the building of a new city hall to include a hall for public meetings?
4. Shall the police and license commissioners be elected by the voters of the city?
5. Shall saloon and bottle licenses be abolished and licenses for the sale of liquor by retail be granted only to hotels complying with the statutary requirements?

Alderman Fullerton with reference to the first of the above questions pointed out that evidently a board of control was meant. There are already provisions in the Municipal Clauses Act permitting of the election of a board of control, but the only defect is that there is no provision for the recall, a system in vogue in cities on the other side. If this feature were left out he did not think the electors would answer the question favorably.

The petition will be laid over until the alderman can find time to consider it.

Returns from Nanaimo

His Lordship Bishop Perrin returned yesterday from Nanaimo, where on Sunday he administered the rite of confirmation.

Closing Exercises St. George's School

The pupils of St. George's school, 1157 Rockland avenue, hold their closing exercises this afternoon at three o'clock.

Steam Engineers Organize

At a well attended meeting in Labor hall yesterday, the steam engineers of the city organized and applied to the international body for a charter. Robert McQuarrie was elected president and John McMahon, secretary.

Child Strayed from Mother

When the little two year old daughter of Mrs. C. Fairall, 768 Hill street, wandered away from her mother while the latter was shopping in Challoner & Mitchell's yesterday, there was consternation for a short time. The child had been attracted to the door and in the ten minutes which elapsed before she was located, there was a great ado. Fortunately the fear excited proved groundless.

Horse in Trench—Traffic Delayed

A half covered pipe trench between the car tracks near the corner of Harrison and Fort streets at the commencement of the narrow section of the thoroughfare, caused the delay of street car traffic during the rush hours last evening for over an hour, when one of the horses of a team owned by Alexander Vye fell into the ditch. It took many volunteers over an hour to haul the horse from the muddy hole. With cars coming in either direction and the narrow street with but one red light at its edge to guide the teamsters, proved dangerous.

School Appointments

Several appointments were made at last evening's special meeting of the board of school trustees. Mr. Strachan, M. A., of Aberdeen, Scotland, was placed on the High school staff to teach mathematics and English. He will take up his duties on the opening of the new term. Mr. Kyrle Symond, B. A. of Oxford University, who has been teaching at Beaver Point, and Miss Summerville, a graduate of the Victoria High school, were appointed to the public school staff. W. Murray was made clerk of works in connection with the work which will be undertaken on the Victoria West school.

Rev. Mr. Connell for St. Saviour's

Rev. Canon Cooper made the announcement in St. Saviour's church, Victoria West yesterday that the Bishop had written to the Rev. Robert Connell to offer him the oversight of the church and parish and that a telegram had been received from Mr. Connell signifying his acceptance. The Rector's designati of St. Saviour's is well known in Victoria, having at one time been in charge of St. Luke's Cedar Hill and during Canon Cooper's last visit to England he was in temporary charge of St. Saviour's. It is expected that Mr. Connell will take up his new work from the first Sunday in February.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Lubbe

The funeral of the late Mr. Theodore Lubbe will take place from the family residence, 1615 Quadra street, this morning at 9.15 o'clock, and fifteen minutes later from the Roman Catholic cathedral, where solemn requiem mass will be held.

Pope

The funeral of the late Dr. S. D. Pope took place from the family residence yesterday, where many friends of the late well-known gentleman attended. Rev. Canon Cooper conducted a very impressive service at the house. The hymns, "On the Resurrection Morn" and "Abide With Me," were sung. There were many floral offerings. The following acted as pallbearers, Judge Harrison, G. W. Church, M. A., E. E. Wooton, L. Tait, Dr. R. L. Fraser and J. C. Newbury.

Webb

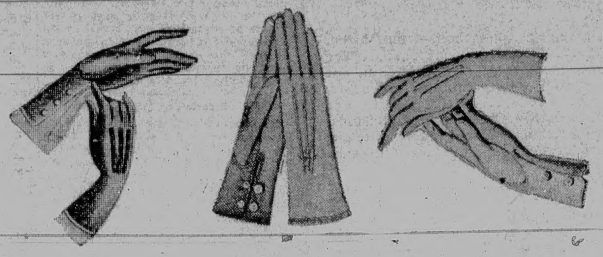
The funeral of Mrs. Charles N. Webb and her infant son took place from the Hanna chapel yesterday afternoon, where many young friends attended to pay their last respects to the unfortunate young wife. The floral offerings were very numerous, testifying the great esteem in which the young lady was held. The Rev. W. Stevenson conducted an impressive service in the chapel and the hymn "Lead Kindly Light" was sung following the service. The funeral was also attended by a staff of Salvation Army captains, who took part in the service. Interment was made in the Ross Bay cemetery.

An exodus of miners from Hope to a marvelously rich ledge at Lake House, fourteen miles from that town, is reported.

Police Chief Allen, of Ladysmith, has just brought to the Nanaimo Provincial jail a prisoner who has been sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for refusing to pay the itinerant traders' license.

Glove Bonds as Xmas Gifts

The name of Finch & Finch, has for the past few years, been favorably associated with Glove Bonds during the Yuletide festivities. Glove Bonds are preferable to Gloves as gifts, because the recipient of the bond can call at our store and get a correct fit, in a pair of Gloves of their own choosing. Gloves are always acceptable, and our selection is so large that we can satisfy the most fastidious. We specialize in Perrin's Gloves.



Some of Our Leaders

FINE GLACE GLOVES in short lengths, with pearl domes, in tan, browns, blacks, whites, gray, champagne and modes $1.50

WOMEN'S 16-BUTTON GLOVE, white only $3.00

FINEST QUALITY SHORT GLOVE, in dressed kid, with fancy stitching, in colors, grey, white and black $2.00

WOMEN'S 16-BUTTON SUEDE OR GLACE, in black, blue, mauve, pink, tan and white ...$3.50

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Fancy Twisted Wax Candles, very pretty for the Christmas Table, red, white, green, pink and yellow, 2 for 15c

Crystallized Fruits, assorted, Cherries, Green Almonds, pineapple, Angelica, Greengage, Apricots, Pears, Ginger, etc., etc., per lb., 60c; per box, $4.25, $2.25, $1.25, 75c, 50c and 25c

Fancy Chocolates, per lb., 60c, 50c and 40c

Fancy Boxes of the Highest Class Confectionery, $3.00 to 10c

Noel's Fruits in Syrup, per globe, $1.00 or 50c

Pop Corn, per packet 5c

Loose Dry Pop Corn for threading, per bag 10c

Huntley & Palmer's, Jacob's and Carr's Fancy Biscuits and Shortbread, in handsomely decorated tins and caskets, from $1.50 to 50c

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English Plum Puddings. These are our own make and delicious. Per bowl, $2.00 to 75c

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Esquimalt Oysters, 4 dozen for $1.00

Doubtless you'll want some of these for the Xmas Turkey

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McClary's famous Steel Ranges and Heating Stoves at Clarke & Pearson's 1313 Wharf Street, near Johnson Street, Victoria.

George McKenzie, a well known resident of Prince Rupert, is mysteriously missing, and it is feared has met death by drowning.

For particulars and comparisons in prices, etc., re the great jewelery sale going on, see Wenger's ad. on another page of this issue.

The best plaster. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Liniment and bound on over the affected parts is superior to a plaster and costs only one-tenth as much. For sale by all dealers.

NEWS OF THE CITY

Reeve Nicholson Recovering

Joseph Nicholson, reeve of Saanich, who is confined to St. Joseph's hospital with a severe attack of erysipelas is recovering. In a week or ten days it is expected he will have recovered.

Take Out Permits.

Building permits were issued yesterday by the building inspector to Mrs. W. H. Finlayson for a building to be erected on Cormorant street to be occupied as a restuarant at a cost of $600; to Louis Curcio for additions to store on Cook Street to cost $100, and to S. Bell for a garage to cost $100.

St. Andrew's Women's Mission

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will be held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the lecture room of the church. The programme is: Current events, by Mrs. F. A. Bennett; Africa at the dawn of the twentieth century, by Mrs. E. C. Hart; The negro in North America, by Miss Lillian Smith. A cordial invitation is extended to all ladies to attend.

Another Deluded One.

On Sunday night at 11 o'clock the fire department had a run to the corner of Vancouver and View streets where, for the second time within the week, a passer-by fancied he had discovered a serious conflagration in the the interior of the Mt. Edward apartment block being erected by Mrs. Cuppage. The bright reflection of fires in the grates of several of the rooms, lit for the purpose of drying out the plaster, startled the passer-by who promptly sent in the alarm. There was no need of the brigade's services.

Election of Officers

The Canadian Order of Foresters, Court Columbia No. 834, at the meeting for the election of officers elected the following: Past chief ranger, W. Bergstrom; chief ranger, Alex. Peden; vice chief ranger, J. H. Shroeder; recording secretary, R. W. Savage; financial secretary, A. E. Haynes; treasurer, Garrett Smith; chaplain, G. Hanck; senior woodward, R. N. Brown; junior woodward, A. C. Chislet; senior beadle, A. Tripp; junior beadle, J. Chrow; physician, Dr. E. A. Hall, conductor, T. J. Evans; auditor, A. W. O. Savage; trustees, T. J. Evans, W. Bergstrom, Geo. McCandless.

Post Mails Early

The postal authorities request that Christmas mails for delivery in the city be posted early. Yesterday the postmaster said that the mails were surpassing in quantity by a considerable margin the amount posted in previous years, and unless local mails for delivery in the city were posted early, say on Thursday or Friday, they might not be delivered until after Christmas. In order to facilitate the delivery at the post office wickets the general delivery office has been extended, and more boxes for the clerks have been put in. As soon as the holiday rush is over this extension will be permanently made, and extensions will be made to the registered letter and money order departments.

Does Not Improve Quality.

The city sanitary inspector is having more trouble with Chinese who, despite the warnings given them, persist in keeping fish in crates moored in the harbor just off the garbage wharf and on the Indian reserve side almost immediately under the septic tank. The polluted nature of the water at these points does not improve the quality of the fish which is being peddled about the city by the Chinese. It appears the city has no power to prosecute the fishermen for this. Sanitary Inspector Lancaster, when he commenced liberating the fish, had considerable trouble with the owner of the crates, but finally about two tons of piscine produce were set free. The owner a few minutes later was seen to empty a pailful of fish offal into the water. Here was a plain violation of the by-laws, and the offender will be summoned.

Attracted by Climate.

Among recent inquiries received by the Vancouver Island Development League are letters from the Soudan, Burmah and South Africa illustrated the wide sphere covered by the propaganda now being carried on by the publicity organization. Mr. C. P. Brown, of Kodiak, in the Soudan, has had his attention attracted to this territory by an article in the Standard of Empire. He now writes for further information stating he has a capital of $3,000 and is anxious to engage in fruit farming. The volume of inquiries coming from the middle west of Canada is increasing daily and while those writing state that opportunities where they are now situated are good, they cannot stand the weather, a further illustration that Vancouver Island's climate is one of its most merchantable assets.

Accept Compromise.

The difference between the city and the Pacific Coast Construction company over extras claimed by the company on the contract for sidewalk construction on a number of streets will be adjusted, the company accepting the city's offer of $2,900. In this connection the company disputes the statements made by the city that $100 should be deducted for unfinished work. There was a portion left undone, but this was at the order of the engineer, because a fence in front of property near the corner of Quadra street and Caledonia avenue was out beyond the street line and no arrangement had been arrived at with the owner. Therefore the work was not completed, but the company is ready to offer to complete it when called upon. Then there was an item of $309 deducted by the city on the ground that certain retaining walls were defective. The company claims that this work was rigidly inspected by the city inspector, and passed by him. However, the compromise of $2,900 will be accepted.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., December 19, 1910:

SYNOPSIS.

The western high area although still central over the north Pacific states has diminished in force and is slowly passing eastward. Rain is falling at Atlin but from Vancouver Island southward the weather is fair to cloudy with fog on the coast. In the Prairie provinces with the exception of light snowfall at Swift Current and Winnipeg the weather has been chiefly fair, cold in Manitoba but with higher temperature in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	38	46
Vancouver	38	40
New Westminster	36	42
Kamloops	28	36
Barkerville	24	34
Atlin	24	36
Dawson, Y. T.	4 below	14
Calgary, Alta.	30	50
Winnipeg, Man.	6	12
Portland, Ore.	40	44
San Francisco, Cal.	50	60

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Tuesday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Light to moderate northerly and easterly winds, generally fair with not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland: Light to moderate winds, generally fair with not much change in temperature.

SUNDAY.

Highest	44
Lowest	38
Mean	41

Sunshine, 1 hour, 36 minutes.

MONDAY.

Highest	46
Lowest	38
Mean	42

Sunshine, 3 hours, 36 minutes.

The Gift Shop

What to Get the Men

Is the hardest Xmas problem of all to most ladies. This little list of things, gentlemen buy for themselves may serve to simplify matters.

Cigarette Cases, solid silver, $20 to $5.50

Cigar Cases, solid silver, $14 to $10

Pencils, solid silver, $2.50 to 50c

Match Safes, solid silver, $3.50 to $2.50

Tobacco Boxes, solid silver, from $6.75

Pocket Knives, solid silver handle, from $6.75

Military Brushes, solid silver backs, in case, $12.75 and $12.50

Whisks and Clothes Brushes solid silver handles, $6 to $3.00

Ink Bottles, solid silver, $.10 to $2.50

Lots of higher-priced and lower-priced suggestions for gentlemen and ladies' gifts. Ask to see our trays of inexpensive articles, beautiful and useful things at $2, $1.75, $1.50, $1.25, $1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c.

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Umbrellas—Excellent value, from each, $1.00 to $5.00

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Fur Stoles—From, each, $3.25 to $25.00

Children's Fur Sets—From $2.25 to $6.00

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Fancy Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 10c up to	$1.25
Cushion Cover, $6.00 to	$1.25
Silk Scarfs, $6.00 to	$1.00
Silk Shawls, $10.00 to	$1.00
Silk Stockings, Per pair	$1.00
Silk or Linen Table Cover, $15.00 to	$1.00
Sideboard Covers	$1.00
Cotton Crepe Kimona, $1.50 to	75¢
Silk Kimona, $35.00 to	$5.00
Silk Opera Coats, $35.00 to	$6.00
Dressing Jackets, $6.00 to	75¢
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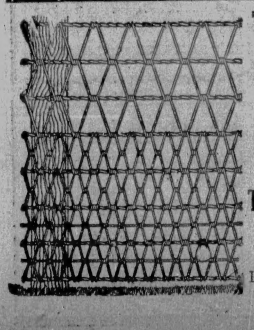

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Meeting of Ladies' Auxiliary

A meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Currall, 1509 Pandora street on Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m.

Acknowledge Donations

The committee of the Old Ladies' Home wishes to acknowledge with thanks a Christmas donation of $20 from Mrs. Henry Croft.

Royal True Blue Lodge

There will be a meeting of Loyal True Blue lodge in their hall, Broad street, tomorrow evening. All members are requested to be present, as business of importance will be brought up.

City Prayer Meeting

The city prayer meeting will be held on Saturday, December 24th (Christmas Eve), 8 to 9 p. m., in the Victoria gospel hall, 1415 Blanchard street. The meeting is open to all.

Meet Today

The regular meeting of the Baxter Hive, L. O. T. M., will be held in Semple's hall this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to be present, as many questions of much importance are to be settled before the end of the year.

Laborer Injured.

David Smith, a laborer engaged on sewer work on Robertson street, sustained a fracture of his right arm yesterday afternoon. He was climbing out of the trench when he slipped and fell backwards, his arm bending beneath his body and breaking. He was removed to his home.

Strawberries Still Growing

Roses and violets growing in the open in Victoria just now are not uncommon but a large box of splendid strawberries picked on December 14 in the Metchosin district is something of a novelty even for Vancouver Island. These berries are full size, well formed but at the time when they were picked they had not yet fully ripened.

Dominion Trust Company Building

The negotiations for the lease of the foreshore rights to the Wharf street lots, on which the building for the Dominion Trust Company, Ltd., is to be erected, are about completed, and as soon as the lease is signed the building will be proceeded with directly. It was on account of the unavoidable delay in securing the above that the building has not been gone on with as arranged for some months ago.

Reminiscent of a Certain Poem

Kind friends recently made the enterprising secretary of the Vancouver Island Development League a present of two boxes of fine fresh eggs—Vancouver Island grown—and, having thus acquired a dangerous appetite, he delicately hints that as he is now keeping house, turnips, potatoes, coal, wood and particularly dressed turkeys are required. As an afterthought he adds that a large automobile would come in handy, too.

Realty Transactions

Messrs. Curric & Power, realty agents, have been responsible for the sale of Colonel Curric's farm, of 56 acres, situated near Sidney, and close to the route of the Canadian Northern Pacific railway on Vancouver island, the consideration being $12,000. Among other realty transactions put through within the past few days was the sale of a farm at Maple valley, comprising 12 1-2 acres, the sale price being $4,275. This deal was negotiated by Messrs. Swinerton and Musgrave.

The Police Court

In the city police court yesterday morning L. G. Quagliotti was charged with selling liquor without a license at the Pandora hotel on Pandora and Blanchard streets. The licensee has, it is alleged, given Mr. Quagliotti authority to sell liquor under his power of attorney. The licensee, however, is no longer the tenant of the bar, and a charge was laid against Quagliotti for selling without a license. Three drunks were fined the usual amount, one of them being arrested after being ejected from the Grand theatre, where he had created a disturbance during the progress of a Sunday temperance lecture.

To Lecture on Vancouver Island

Vancouver Island is to receive some excellent publicity throughout the Great Pie Belt of New England this winter as the result of the Vancouver Island Development League's good work and the kindness of Mr. George W. Penniman, a well known lecturer, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Penniman was here two weeks ago and was so impressed with the city and with what portions of the island he saw that, when the secretary of the league offered to provide pictures and letterpress for lectures, he undertook to give one lecture on the city and one on the island, illustrating them with colored slides. These lectures will probably be given one hundred times each in a prosperous section of the eastern United States where capital is plentiful.

Christmas at the Jubilee

Friends are reminded that preparations for Christmas at the Royal Jubilee Hospital will commence next week. The decorations on small Christmas trees will be arranged as usual. The Daughters of Pity have charge of the wards, and Mrs. Hasell of the Pemberton chapel and large Christmas tree. All contributions of holly, evergreens (especially of trailing ivy), plants, flowers, fruits, candies and small gifts, will be most gratefully received at the work room (under the chapel) where Mrs. Hasell and a committee will be in charge, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the coming week. On Christmas morning carols will be sung at daybreak followed by celebration of the Holy Communion at 8.15 [illegible] service of song will be held in the afternoon.

Special Cabinet Meeting

A special meeting of the provincial cabinet is to be held this morning, when various matters in connection with the approaching session of the house are expected to obtain attention.

Oak Bay Elections

The elections of the municipality of Oak Bay will be held on January 14th, and nominations will be received for reeve and councillors on January 9th. The first meeting of the new council will be held on January 16th.

Growth of Oak Bay

Within one year one hundred and thirty additional names have been added to the Oak Bay voter's list. The list which has been completed, all but going through the court of revision, will be open for inspection at the next meeting of the Oak Bay council January 3rd. There are now 629 names enrolled on the list.

Did Not Hold Meeting

As there were but two councillors present and the reeve, the Oak Bay council was unable to hold its regular sitting last night. Matters which were to have been brought before the council were communications giving authority for the drafting of a blaw for the construction of a cement sidewalk on the south side of Oak Bay avenue from Foul Bay road to the Oak Bay hotel and a recommendation from the local license commissioners in regard to the introducing of the liquor regulations identical with those which prevail in this city. The next and final business meeting of the council for the year will be held January 3rd.

Seek Sites in City

The growth of Victoria and its recognition as a financial centre are shown by the fact that at present there are three banks endeavoring to obtain sites here. The institutions are Molsons, the Bank of Vancouver, and the Dominion. The latter is already doing business here in temporary offices at the corner of Broad and Fort streets. The Bank of Vancouver has now offices in the mainland city, and is anxious to extend its business interests to this city. Molson's has been established in Vancouver for some years past, and with the growth of Victoria is endeavoring to obtain a site here. The business of the Dominion Bank has grown so much that new, larger and more central offices are required. Up to the present it is understood that none of the banks in question have been successful in obtaining what are considered satisfactory sites.

MORE NEW STRUCTURES

Large Garage for Broughton Street—Laundry Company Extends Premises

Plans have been prepared and work has been commenced on the erection of two important structures by Messrs. Luny Bros., contractors. Mr. John Bowker will erect a large garage on Broughton street at the rear of the store building which he has built on Fort street. The structure will be of brick, two storeys in height and will have a frontage on Broughton street of fifty feet and on Wilcox Alley of 129 feet. The cost will be approximately $20,000.

The Standard Laundry company will erect an extensive addition to its View Street building, increasing the size of the firm's premises by twice the present capacity. This addition, which will cost about $9,000, will be two storeys and of brick.

Luny Bros. have also made a start on the erection of the addition to the Victoria West school which will add four more rooms to that institution. The cost of the addition, including rock blasting, is about $22,000.

MANY LAWYERS SWORN IN

Benchers Admit Record Number To Practice in British Columbia

At a special meeting of the Benchers of the Law Society held yesterday morning, the results of the recent law examinations were announced as follows: First intermediate, C. E. Falkner, W. E. Haskins, W. A. Riddell and R. R. Maitland; second intermediate, J. Emerson, G. F. Cameron and A. D. Macfarlane (equal), and N. Montgomery; student for call and articled clerk for admission, E. J. Grant; B. C. solicitor for call, J. P. H. Bole; eastern Canadian barristers and solicitors for call and admission, J. S. Sutherland, H. D. Ruggles, D. Armour, H. S. Tobin, M. B. O'Dell, W. G. Anderson, J. L. Morrison, R. R. Perry, J. A. Clark, A. C. Mackintosh and S. B. VanKleeck (equal), A. J. B. Mellish; English solicitors for admission, N. F. Tunbrige, E. F. Sargent, H. W. Wightman, B. G. W. Smith, H. C. Clarke, A. Temple and R. H. Read; Irish solicitor for admission, P. C. Morris; Scotch solicitor for admission, Alexander Campbell; Quebec barrister and solicitor for admission, J. S. Jamieson. The successful candidates in the final examinations then appeared before the Benchers and were called and admitted according to their respective classes, and were afterwards introduced to the Court (Hon. Mr. Justice Gregory) when they were sworn in and signed the rolls. His lordship, in a short and kindly address, welcomed the new comers to the ranks of the profession and wished them a long, profitable and honorable career. Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., who presented them to the Court as representing the Benchers, thanked his lordship for his kind remarks and cordially wished him in return the compliments of the season.

An Error

The advertising space of Alex. Peden, the merchant tailor, was used for the purpose of calling attention to a half-page ad. belonging to Peden Bros., sporting goods, by mistake. It should have been Peden Bros. own regular space, which should have been used. The both spaces being the same size and nearly the same firm name, the mistake was easily made.

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HASTINGS TOWNSITE VOTE

Was Taken Under Old Law, Which Recognizes Only Titles in Fee Absolute

A remarkable discovery has been made in connection with the plebiscite recently taken of the property owners of Hastings townsite on the question of annexation to Greater Vancouver. It being now disclosed that this vote was taken under an old law, which only recognizes titles in fee absolute, and not indefeasible titles under the Torrens system.

The total assessed value of the townsite is $3,373,583, and fifty per cent. of the property was required to be polled affirmatively to carry the plebiscite. The total of property voted under titles of fee absolute was somewhat short of the required percentage, but the returns which were very carefully compiled, show that $449,274 in property under the Torrens system registration was voted, which, if added, would be sufficient to support the affirmative decision. As such a hair-splitting interpretation of the law was obviously never contemplated as would exclude these property owners from expressing their wishes at the polls, Attorney-General Bowser promises that if Vancouver city also endorses the proposed annexation, he will introduce legislation at the approaching session of the house confirming the favorable result of the vote as taken in Hastings townsite.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

(Before Martin, Lo. J. A.)

S. S. Etta White v s.s. Tepic: Action for salvage. The defendant ship went ashore on Roger Curtis Point, Bowen Island on the 19th of March, 1909, and damaged her plates and forward part badly. The weather was calm. She whistled to a passing tug for assistance and the Etta White came up and pulled her off after breaking a hawser once or twice; she then saved the scow which had been in tow of the Tepic. The latter went into English Bay under her own steam for repairs and to report.

The claim is that it is a salvage, and the defence is that it is a towage service.

The question also came up and was argued that there is no power to pay money into the Admiralty Court in an action such as that at bar where there is a defence denying liability. Judgment was reserved.

Griffin and H. E. A. Robertson for plaintiff ship; Davis, K. C., for defendant ship.

(Before Gregory, J.)

General Appraisal Company (of Seattle) v. General Appraisal Company, Limited: The whole of the day was taken up in argument on this case.

(Before Lampman, Co. J.)

Bragg v. Palmer: Action for $100 on a building contract. Judgment was given for plaintiff for $82.65 and costs. Morphy for plaintiff, Aikman for defendant.

Leaves for Vancouver

The steamer Queen Alexandria which discharged 1000 tons of steel rails at the outer wharf proceeded to Vancouver on Sunday after discharging at that city will proceed to Powell river.

In the Greenwood breach of promise case brought by Rose Hartmann against A. E. Thomas, a defence has been entered, the hearing being set for the May term of court. Miss Hartmann is asking balm in the amount of $10,000.

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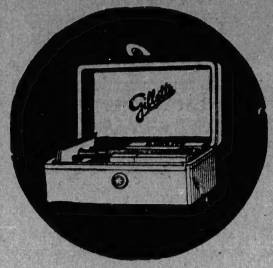

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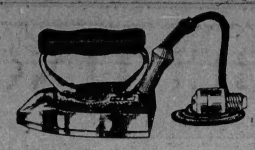
Xmas Gifts  Xmas Gifts

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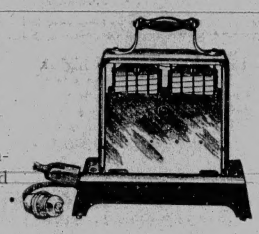

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To be poor and lonely and sick is hard on any day of the year, but on Christmas day, when the memory of loved ones and happy days spent in former years crowds in upon the mind, it is well nigh unbearable. The efforts of those who try to brighten the season for the patients in the hospitals should be seconded by all who have anything to spare.

Very mercifully, the attention of sick people and especially of sick children may be diverted from their own sufferings by kindness, however shown. The decorations and the customs of Christmas will not help those who are mortally ill. It is only the inner meaning of the story of the season that can do that and this is not limited to times and days. But for the many, the kindly, tender thoughts that surrounds them with brightness and music and that carries to their bedsides some share in the material gifts which others in the outside world are enjoying, brings a cessation of pain and discomfort, and not seldom a feeling of hope and thankfulness that do not depart with the day.

To help in such work is a privilege which many can share. The gifts will be a little larger and more suitable, the wards and corridors a little brighter and the music fuller and sweeter, if all who can will give money, or time or service.

For the next week many mothers and older sisters in Victoria will be preparing Christmas trees. The pretty custom is a comparatively new one, whether in England or in Canada. It is one which gives infinite delight to little children and great pleasure to their elders. In the Sunday schools too, there will be larger if not prettier trees. It must be remembered, however, that there is always a risk of fire at a Christmas tree, especially where the room is not very large. The candles must be watched with the very greatest care, and in dressing the tree inflammable material should be arranged so that it will not be too near the lights.

The wonder is, that with the carelessness which prevails in many homes with regard to fires, accidents are not of more frequent occurrence. Caution may be troublesome but it prevents loss and possibly sorrow and pain.

Very disturbing news comes from Ottawa. The returns sent from the recruiting station for the navy show that 75 per cent. of the boys who have offered themselves for the service, suffer either from an affection of the heart caused by cigarette smoking, or from defects of vision attributed to the attendance at moving picture shows.

There is no need to draw exaggerated conclusions from this report. It is not likely that many of the boys who hurried to offer for enlistment were average Canadian boys. There is not yet a realization of the need of recruits as will induce parents whose children have comfortable homes and opportunities to secure a good education to consent to the enlistment of many of their sons.

It is to be presumed that most of the volunteers came from the class which dislikes the restraints of school and adopts casual employment on leaving. Many of these boys are fine fellows, who under proper discipline should become excellent men. But their way of life, especially in the cities, leads them into many temptations. Without proper restraint they form habits and frequent amusements which injure them both morally and physically.

It has long been known that the use of tobacco is bad for the growing boy, but it must be confessed the attempts to prevent the evil have not been very successful. It may be that what warning, advice and even threats have not been able to accomplish, the rejection of these candidates will be able to bring about. If even the most thoughtless boys are made to realize that if they will smoke cigarettes, they are not only debarred from athletic sports but cannot expect to follow any occupation that requires perfect health, they will not form the habit. Rejection by a medical examiner is a stern and convincing lesson.

That any considerable number of the men or for that matter, the women of Canada, should have their eyes injured by looking at the moving pictures is a very serious state of affairs. It may be that, in time, science will make the wonderful invention so perfect that the delicate structure of the eye will no longer be injured by these exhibitions. It is possible that some of the nervous weakness complained of has been attributed to the wrong cause. But making all allowances, we must remember that the efficiency of every citizen is lessened by defective vision. It is not that 75 per cent. of the applicants may not serve on the navy, but that they are not fit for the work of life whatever it may be, which is such a very serious matter.

The school in the eastern end of the town cannot be built too quickly. The Central school is now full and every one who knows anything about Victoria schools, knows that the old building has served its day and generation and that there are rooms in use which are scarcely fit for occupation.

The delay in commencing the new High school will result in further congestion next summer.

This, the Banks Street school will do something to relieve. If it is built with all possible despatch. The condition is scarcely better in the James Bay district, where all the teachers have larger classes than they can do justice to. The incoming trustee board will have hard work to cope with the situation in 1911, should the growth of the city proceed at the rate to which present indications point.

It is very satisfactory to note from the report of that excellent body, the Protestant Orphanage board, that many of their little wards are finding homes with foster parents. No institution, however excellent, can take the place of a real home as a place of training for life.

On the other hand, there are very few institutions which fill the part of home as well as the B. C. Protestant Orphanage. The children are sent to the public schools and neither by the board of management nor by the matron is there any disposition to look upon or to treat the children in an impersonal way. Indeed, Mrs. McTavish and almost every lady on the board are not only the personal friends of the boys and girls while they are under their care but they take an interest in their life when they go out to make their own way in the world.

It is very satisfactory, too, to know that the orphanage will cooperate with the Children's Aid society. There are neglected children who will be greatly benefited by adoption into the big family on the hill.

There were no entrance examinations for High School in this province at Christmas this year. This is a matter for congratulation. There will be ample time to prepare for the midsummer test and no excuse for cramming. The short time given in the lower grades and to teach the part of the curriculum untouched there has always been felt to be a difficulty with those principals who distinguished teaching from the imparting of information. The High Schools will benefit from the change in a double way. The classes will not be disturbed in the middle of the year by pupils who must practically mark time till the beginning of the course next year unless, as cannot always be done, new classes are formed and the pupils will be better prepared when they are admitted.

There are many incidents, happening every day, which, if taken note of would tend to keep our hearts warm and strengthen our faith in human nature. Some of these occur among women and the story of one was told in Victoria and Esquimalt many times during the past week.

There is living near the old village a little, delicate woman, who for many years has supported a paralyzed husband. Day after day, sick or well, she has gone out as a seamstress, tending her husband early and late, with what tender care only the doctor, who has been a too frequent visitor to the humble home, can tell.

But the brave hearted little woman has never given up and, poor though she is, has a reputation for helpfulness throughout the neighborhood. Of late her husband has partially recovered and can help a little towards his own support.

When, a few weeks ago, the Catholic women of St. Joseph's parish resolved to hold a bazaar, the little woman wondered how she could help. She had nothing to give except a little store of fresh eggs her chickens had laid. Perhaps the sight of them as they lay in basket or bowl suggested the idea of a cake, a real big Christmas cake. For the sake of her church she would do what she had never done for herself. She went from one grocer to another and begged the needful materials. Only one denied her, he having given already what he considered a liberal contribution to the bazaar.

Having gathered everything needed, the little housekeeper set to work to make the big cake. She, with the help of a kind friend, whose well-filled larder gave her much experience in such work, beat and mixed and stirred till a perfect cake was made. Three pans were filled, when it was found that the small stove was quite unequal to the task of baking so large a cake. It was sent to Clay's and the manager gave the cooking as a donation to the bazaar.

But still the frosting must be done and for this the skilful fingers of the maker were well adopted. Borrowing the little instruments needed and receiving some instructions and assistance from her friend, the work of decoration was finished and an offering which many a rich woman would have been proud to bring, was ready. Many were the expressions of admiration with which the ladies of the society received the gift and as few could afford to buy it, it was resolved to raffle this Christmas cake at half a dollar a chance.

Among the purchasers of tickets was the grocer who had refused to contribute to the making of the cake, and strange to tell, he was the winner of the prize. The whole amount realized was $85.

Not many women, even among those who are most generous, can realize the delight with which this poor woman found that she had been able to add this great sum to the funds of the church.

But the cake was yet to bring her a pleasure, if not as great, still very womanly. The winner of the prize gave it back to its maker, bidding her keep it for her own Christmas cheer. Very gratefully the little woman took her treasure home. But she was not satisfied. Such a cake was much too large for her and her husband. A sleepless night followed but before morning a plan was made. Her husband was a Protestant, and people of all creeds had helped her. She had no children though she loved them. Why should not the boys and girls of the Protestant Orphanage have the cake for their Christmas dinner? How many times in all the years that had passed had she vainly longer for something to send them. And now Providence had given her the means!

But she had promised to eat it and she must be released before she could give it away. The consent of the donor was easily gained. Her doctor approved her plan and there was not a happier woman than she in all Victoria when he took her yesterday in his automobile to present her beautiful cake in person to the matron of the Orphans' Home.

We have read in the telegrams and later in the newspapers from the old country, the story of the fresh outbreak of the suffragettes and most women in Canada have been shocked by the outrages that have been committed. It is felt, and rightly, that there is no excuse for the violence with which women have destroyed property and insulted and even attacked politicians.

But we have no idea of how much persistent and legitimate agitation there has been or of how effective the arguments for women suffrage have been in convincing the electors of Great Britain that women should have votes.

The Nation has an article on the present situation, which, while blaming the resolution of the suffragettes to resort to their old tactics, gives the women credit for what they have done. The writer says:

"The record of the work done by the women during recent years would have sufficed under normal conditions to exact legislation. Few realize how persistent the purely law-abiding and constitutional side of the movement has been. We are told that during the four months since Mr. Shackleton's bill passed its second reading no less than 4,220 meetings have been held in its support. We have seen the Albert hall twice filled in a single week. Indeed, the record of meetings suggests a degree of activity that dwarfs every other contemporary movement. Taking the books of three of the largest halls in the country, the conciliation committee can show that during the past 12 months 45 meetings have been held in the Albert, Queen's, and Free Trade halls on behalf of the suffrage, two against it, and only 28 for every other political cause, party or non-party. For five years, with growing impetus, this agitation has run its course, and during 40 years it never wholly ceased. No other cause has been subjected to such a test. If zeal and persistence and a readiness to face sacrifices can carry reform, they have been poured out in superfluity to advance a claim which is now to most men of liberal mind, whatever their party label, an elementary matter of equity. It is not meetings and agitation which have produced conviction.

"The rush and pressure of economic facts, the entry of women into industry, and the invasion of the most intimate details of their life by a state which insists on legislating for them—these are the compelling arguments. The opposition is inert. The approach to agreement is now so close that town councils will consent to petition for a suffrage bill, and representative bodies like the city councils of Manchester and Glasgow and the corporation of Dublin, find themselves all but unanimous on the question."

The writer of the article declares that he believes the resumption of military tactics to be a mistake. He points to the fact that Sir Edward Grey, Mr. Runciman and Mr. Birrell have all declared that in their personal opinion time should be found to carry the bill into law next year and says that "the time has come to end a painful struggle as repugnant to our chivalry as it is distasteful to our liberalism."

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Of course, the headliner will be the bout between Joe Bailey, the crack Victoria West mitt wielder, and "Billy" Hill, the well-known local lad, who will box under the colors of the Empress Club.

A match between these two boxers has been long looked forward to by the followers of the manly art in Victoria and attempts to match them previously has always proved fruitless, as the weight question was always a stumbling block. In the coming tournament "Billy" Hill will meet the Victoria West wonder at catch-weights.

Another good bout will be between Karl Schurtz, the classy Y. M. C. A. lightweight, who made such a hit last season in his bouts with Charlie Cowan. Schurtz will be up against Gunner Greer, one of the fastest boxers at the Work Point Barracks. This bout should be a hummer, as both the athletes have been training for some time and will be in the pink of condition when the gong clangs.

Following is the exact card that will be staged at the A. O. U. W. Hall on New Year's night, January 2nd, 1911:

Joe Bailey, Victoria West vs. Billy Hall, Empress A. C. Catchweights.

Willie O'Keefe, unattached v. Charlie Godfrey, Empress A. C. 118 pounds.

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Frankie Scott, Y. M. C. A. v. Lawrence Ricketts, Esquimalt A. C. 122 pounds.

Eddie Moody, Y. M. C. A. v. Gunner Ulph, Garrison Recreation Club. 125 pounds.

Karl Schutz, Y. M. C. A. v. Gunner Greer, Garrison Recreation Club. 135 pounds.

"Yumps" Williams, Esquimalt A. C. v. Billy Kersey, Empress A. C. 145 pounds.

Bill Lane, Empress A. C. v. Gunner Brown, Garrison Recreation Club. 150 pounds.

"Cyclone" Scott, Empress A. C. v. George Woodley (protege of Sammy Dufty, Esquimalt A. C.) Heavyweights.

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A practice of the Victoria Roller Hockey club has been called for this evening and all members are requested to be present. The club is progressing very favorably, and almost one hundred members are now enrolled.

Ice Hockey Guide.

Spalding's official ice hockey guide for 1911 has just been published in the Spalding Athletic Library series. This book, which is edited by the Hon. Frederick R. Toombs, is more complete than ever before. It contains the laws of hockey of the American Amateur Hockey League and the Intercollegiate Hockey League, also the laws across the border; constitution of the Intercollegiate Hockey League and everything in the line of rules which a hockey player should know.

The book also contains many interesting articles among which are the Review of the Nation's Ice Hockey for 1909-1910; American Amateur Hockey League season of 1909-1910; review of the season in the Intercollegiate Ice Hockey League, Interscholastic Ice Hockey League; Hockey in New England; Hockey in eWstern Pennsylvania; the Race for the Stanley Cup (won by Wanderers of Montreal). The book also contains the photographs of all the leading school, college and club teams playing hockey.

It will be sent to any address in the United States or Canada by the American Sports Publishing Company, 21 Warren Street, New York City, prepaid upon receipt of ten cents.

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Owen Moran, who recently knocked out "Battling" Nelson, issued a challenge tonight to Ad Wolgast for the lightweight championship at any time or place the latter may name, and offering to place a $5,000 side bet. Moran says he will give up any or all of his engagements to meet Wolgast.

BASKETBALL BEGAN LAST NIGHT

Opening Intermediate and Junior Matches Finally Fixed—Complete Schedule of Two Leagues Drafted

Final arrangements have been made for the playing of the intermediate and junior basketball leagues. The first matches will take place tomorrow evening and, thereafter, games will take place at regular intervals, the final in the intermediate series being held on March 22 and the last of the junior games taking place on March 13. It is expected that the fights for the championships in both cases, will be keen from the openng matches to the conclusion.

Tomorrow's games follow: Intermediate—Esquimalt vs. Y. M. C. A. at Esquimalt, Mr. Wilson referee; J. B. A. A. vs. K. of P., Mr. Beaney referee; V. W. A. A. vs. Fifth Regiment at Victoria West, D. Campbell referee.

Junior—V. W. A. A. vs. High School at Victoria West, D. Campbell referee; Esquimalt vs. Y. M. C. A., Mr. Wilson referee.

The schedules—

Intermediate

Esquimalt vs. Y. M. C. A., Dec. 19; J. B. A. A. vs. K. of C., Dec. 19; V. W. A. A. vs. Fifth Regt. Dec. 19; Y. M. I. vs. Esquimalt, Dec. 21; Y. M. C. A. vs. J. B. A. A. Jan. 3; K. of C. vs. V. W. A. A. Jan. 3; Fifth Regiment vs. Y. M. I. Jan. 6; J. B. A. A. vs. Esquimalt, Jan. 9; V. W. A. A. vs Y. M. C. A. Jan. 9; K. of C. vs. Fifth Regt. Jan. 10; Esquimalt vs. V. W. A. A. Jan. 16; Y. M. C. A. vs. K. of C. Jan. 16; Y. M. I. vs. J. B. A. A. Jan. 18; Fifth Regt. vs. Esquimalt, Jan. 20; V. W. A. A. vs. Y. M. I. Jan. 23; J. B. A. A. vs. Fifth Regt. Jan. 23; Esquimalt vs. K. of C. Jan. 23; Y. M. I. vs. Y. M. C. A. Jan. 25; Fifth Regt. vs. Y. M. C. A. Jan. 27; V. W. A. A. vs. J. B. A. A. Jan 30; K. of C. vs. Y. M. I. Jan 31; Fifth Regt. vs. V. W. A. A. Feb. 3; Y. M. C. A. vs. Esquimalt, Feb. 6; K. of C. vs. J. B. A. A. Feb. 7; Y. M. I. vs. Fifth Regt. Feb. 8; Esquimalt vs. Y. M. I. Feb. 13; J. B. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A. Feb. 13; V. W. A. A. vs. K. of C. Feb. 13; Fifth Regiment vs. K. of C. Feb. 17; Esquimalt vs. J. B. A. A. Feb. 20; Y. M. C. A. vs. V. W. A. A. Feb. 20; J. B. A. A. vs. Y. M. I. Feb. 27; V. W. A. A. vs. Y. M. I. Feb. 27; K. of C. vs. Y. M. C. A. Feb. 28; Y. M. I. vs. Y. M. C. A. Feb. 28; Y. M. I. vs. V. W. A. A. March 1; Fifth Regt. vs. J. B. A. A. March 3; Esquimalt vs. Fifth Regt. March 6; Y. M. C. A. vs. Y. M. I. March 6; J. B. A. A. vs. V. W. A. A. March 13; Y. M. C. A. vs. Fifth Regiment, March 13; K. of C. vs. Esquimalt, March 14; Y. M. I. vs. K. of C., March 22.

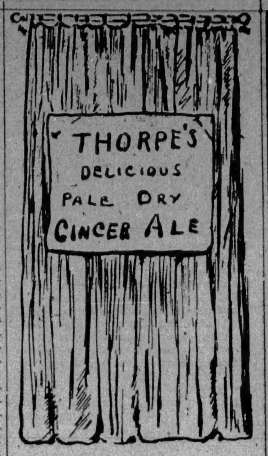
Junior

V. W. A. A. vs. High School, Dec. 19; Esquimalt vs. Y. M. C. A. Dec. 19; Y. M. C. A. vs. J. B. A. A. Jan. 3; V. W. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A. Jan. 9; J. B. A. A. vs. Esquimalt, Jan. 9; High School vs. J. B. A. A. Dec. 13; Esquimalt vs. V. W. A. A. Jan. 16; Y. M. C. A. vs. High School, Jan. 16; V. W. A. A. vs. J. B. A. A. Jan. 23; High School vs. Esquimalt, Jan. 23; High School vs. V. W. A. A. Feb. 6; Y. M. C. A. vs. Esquimalt, Feb. 6; J. B. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A. Feb. 13; Y. M. C. A. vs. V. W. A. A. Feb. 20; Esquimalt vs. J. B. A. A. Feb. 20; J. B. A. A. vs. High School, Feb. 27; V. W. A. A. vs. Esquimalt, Feb. 27; High School vs. Y. M. C. A. March 6; Esquimalt vs. High School, March 6; J. B. A. A. vs. V. W. A. A. March 13.

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 17.—Insurgents have taken the town of Abancay, capital of the department and province of Apurimac, in southern Peru. In the fighting many persons on both sides were killed or wounded. The government is rushing troops to the disaffected district.

VICTORIA RUGGERS TO DRILL HARD

From the present date until the opening match of the Keith Cup series with Berkeley University the members of the Victoria Rugby Club will live a life of strict abstinence and hard work. Capt. Newcombe has called practices for this as well as Thursday and Saturday afternoons at the Oak Bay grounds. The ball will be knicked off in each instance at 3.30 o'clock. A meeting of the special committee in charge of the arrangements for the forthcoming series will take place on Friday evening at 5 o'clock at the offices of Moresby & O'Reilly, when all ticket sellers are requested to be present with a report of the results of their industry.



BASKETBALL WAS PLAYED LAST NIGHT

Three intermediate basketball games were played last evening resulting as follows: Y. M. C. A. beat Esquimalt, 24 to 6; V. W. A. A. beat Fifth Regiment, 21 to 23; Shamrocks (K. of C.) beat James Bay, 47 to 12.

In the former contest which took place at Esquimalt the visitors outclassed their opponents, playing a better combination and being much more accurate in shooting. The teams lined-up as follows: Y. M. C. A.—Guards, R. McKeown and J. Peden (capt.); centre, Carne; forwards, Baker and Williscroft. Esquimalt—Guards, S. Stewart and A. Stewart; centre, Williams; forwards, Ford and McArthur.

The V. W. A. A.-Fifth Regiment match which was played at the Drill Hall, was exceedingly close. At the end of time the score stood 23 all and five minutes extra was played by agreement. In this period the Wests managed to work in a series of shots the militia boys forgetting the necessity of a careful defence in their anxiety to tally.

The James Bay representatives had a bad time in their own hall in their competition with the Shamrocks losing by an overwhelming margin. Lack of practice was the fault of the defeated. The two lined-up as follows: Shamrocks—Guards, N. Owens and L. Keoppock; centre, A. Chiselet; forwards, M. Keoppock and H. Silver. James Bay—Guards, A. Clark and B. Hiscocks; centre, B. Scott; forwards, Hopgood and A. N. Other.

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W. T. Bassett, chief surveyor of the G. T. P., and J. D. Nelson, head of the Howe Sound & Northern survey parties afield, spent a few days in Lillooet last week. It is announced that an amicable agreement has been reached by these two parties; both are now heading their workers toward Lillooet and both are laying their lines along Anderson lake.

Stewart is now suffering from a plague of electrical pianos.

SUPPORT GIVEN TO EXHIBITION SCHEME

Mayor Sandford Evans Tells of Present Standing of International Project—Winnipeg's Growth and Prosperity

Fresh from his triumph at the municipal polls in Winnipeg, where as champion of segregation as the best panacea for the social problem he was returned by a majority of 1,717 votes over his opponent, Mayor Sandford Evans, paid a brief visit to Victoria on private business during the week and leaving last evening on his return journey. The result of the election he described as extremely gratifying to him, and he stated that he would continue his duties in the high position to which the citizens of Winnipeg voted him with the knowledge that he had behind him the support of the majority of the best elements in the prairie capital.

When asked how the question of the great international exposition which it is proposed to hold in Winnipeg in 1914, stood at present, Mayor Evans said that the matter was now before the Dominion government. The citizens committee which had the project in hand, had practically got the affair into final shape and had been waiting for months for an answer from the Dominion authorities. This committee had met and fulfilled every detail which had been suggested by the government in the way of preliminary work. Outside of the amount of money which it was proposed that the Dominion should contribute, the sum of $2,500,000 had been guaranteed. This guarantee consisted of $500,000 stock subscribed by individuals and firms; $500,000 of stock voted as a bylaw by the ratepayers of Winnipeg; $1,250,000 promised by the three transcontinental railway companies; and $250,000 from the province of Manitoba. This sum of $2,500,000 was all a cash contribution, and did not take into account the money that provinces, other than Manitoba, had practically agreed to spend in displaying the exhibits of their various territories. This sum, moreover, did not allow for the large amounts which foreign governments would spend in buildings, etc.

Preliminary Promises.

"We have had," said Mayor Evans, "official and semi-official inquiries from many of the leading nations, and the French government has now actually stored in Winnipeg, a part of the exhibition which it proposes to make. We are asking the Dominion government to duplicate the cash subscription which we have already promised and in addition to give a further $2,500,000. We consider that we are justified in estimating the receipts from the gates and concessions at $1,500,000. Further the $6,500,000 thus represented, together with what would be expended by other provinces and foreign nations, would make an exposition which would be fully worthy of this country. To accomplish this preliminary work has entailed a continuous activity on the part of the committee of business men in Winnipeg and elsewhere who have been working on the proposal for the past two years. We feel that the results so far accomplished justify our confidence that the great scheme can be carried through successfully.

"On the last visit of a deputation to Ottawa in October, we represented to the Dominion government that we had made good on everything that it had been suggested that we should do. Now we have done everything possible until the Dominion government comes to some decision. Our deputation to Ottawa pointed out further that a long delay in reaching a decision would seriously encroach on the time necessary for the work which yet remains to be done. The government informed us that it recognized that the answer must be given as soon as possible, and we are now waiting, as patiently as possible, for that answer."

Winnipeg's Growth.

Of the present growth of Winnipeg, of its prosperity and its future, Mayor Evans speaks in the highest terms of optimism. "The city," he says, "has had a very good year. Business conditions are generally sound. The present has been the largest building year in the history of the city. Permits to the amount of close upon $14,000,000 have been taken out during the last twelve months. I believe that when the census is taken next year, it will show a population within the city limits of close upon 150,000 souls. This will be an increase of over 100,000 as compared with the population ten years ago, which was 42,000. The manufacturing output of the city has increased and is increasing very largely. In 1900 it was valued at $8,000,000; in 1905 this amount had increased to $18,500,000, and in 1910 a census made by the Industrial Bureau show'd the output to be $36,000,000.

"We are just completing a great municipal hydro-electric power plant, and we expect the power to be delivered before the end of next summer. The ultimate capacity of these works will be 60,000 horse power. The first installation will deliver in the city 17,000 h. p. and will cost us at the terminal station in Winnipeg at the rate of $18.50 for 1,300 volts. As more power is supplied the price will grow correspondingly less. An exceedingly interesting fact in connection with this work is that, with all the contracts for construction let, it is evident that the enterprise will be completed for a sum of money under the original estimate of the cost. When the first portion of the distribution system is in working order we will have paid $4,000,000 for the work. This is a larger financial undertaking than that in which the Ontario government has embarked for an hydro electric power scheme to supply that province with power, and power will cost Winnipeg less than it does Toronto."

Mayor Evans was accompanied on his visit here by Mrs. Evans, both of whom were guests at the Empress hotel.

IRON ORE DEPOSITS

Board of Trade Report Contains Interesting Resume of Situation on Vancouver Island

The board of trade annual report summarizing in interesting form the progress of Vancouver island during the past year has been printed and distributed among various libraries, boards of trade and commercial interests throughout the British Empire. The report this year is more voluminous than any of its predecessors. Advantage has been taken of the numerous inquiries which have reached the board of trade offices to embody in the report answers to all general questions dealing with lands, agricultural interests, fruit growing, poultry raising and general farming possibilities. Outside this information the strong point in the report is a resume of the iron situation on Vancouver and the adjacent islands. Reports from the provincial government offices have been relied upon as a basis for this article in order that the reputation of the board for authentic information should be sustained. The data and general information adduced are from reports made by provincial officials and by Mr. Lindeman, who reported on the situation for the Dominion authorities.

The article further contains a precis of the discussion which took place at a meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute following a paper read by Mr. Lindeman on the iron ore deposits of Vancouver and adjacent islands. In that discussion it was remarked casually that the iron ores of Texada island were mostly used in the construction of two United States warships at San Francisco. This information was further corroborated in a letter which Captain W. H. Lee, the resident representative of the Puget Sound Iron Company, of Texada island, furnished, and which was placed at the disposal of the board by Mr. E. Jacobs. This information read:

"We commenced shipping iron ore from Texada island to Irondale, Wash., in 1883, and continued shipping to about 1903. Most of the pig iron made from this ore went to the Union Iron Works at San Francisco, and much of it was used in the construction of the battleships Oregon and Monterey and the cruiser Charlestown; also in two of the Japanese ships that were in the fight with Russia. Some of the No. 3 was used for car wheels by the Northern Pacific railway. We challenge the world to show us iron that will stand the test for strength equal to our Texada iron."

The board of trade publication has been mostly distributed throughout the British Empire, and acknowledgments are now coming in from various sources. In this connection it is very interesting in looking over the secretary's files to find a number of applications for back numbers for the purpose of completing library files in different parts of the United States; this feature lending support to the high value of the pamphlet, which is generally acknowledged to be a standard work. The latest report contains copious statistics on matters of varied interests all bound up with the development of the island.

The proposal to appoint a censor of plays at Vancouver has met defeat.

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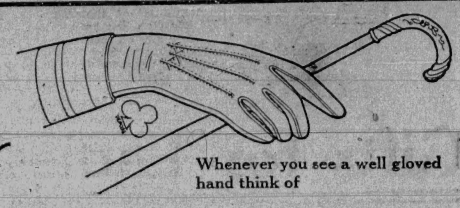

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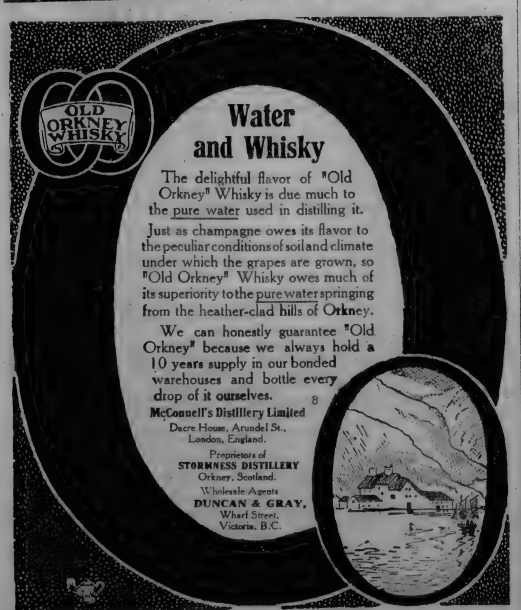

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THE PASSING OF A WELL-KNOWN FIGURE

Michael King, Pioneer Timber Cruiser and Merchant Passed Away Sunday At Jubilee Hospital

One of the most widely acquainted and generally respected of Victoria's pioneers, Michael King, passed away at the Jubilee Hospital on Sunday morning after an illness of several weeks.

A typical westerner, possessing a passion for the wilds, business acumen which enabled him to turn to commercial advantage the knowledge he secured in his travels, and a heart as expansive as the territory he roamed, "Mike" King was loved by his intimate friends and held in the highest esteem by his acquaintances.

Until the pain which Mr. King suffered in his later days made retirement to the hospital and medical treatment absolutely imperative he led his usual active life. The story of what brought about his fatal illness is strikingly characteristic of the man—a woodsman of iron physique and of indomitable will power.

In the spring of this year he took the steamer Teea to Tatchu Point, near Nootka Sound, in order to superintend the initiation of the development of some coal measures which he owned at that place. Having looked after the work he found that the vessel on which he had taken passage out was unable to call for him on its return because of the rough weather and, rather than wait, he decided to walk across the island and catch a southbound steamer from the east.

The Fatal Accident.

En route Mr. King slipped while walking a moss-covered log and fell some thirty feet down a rocky cliff. He sustained serious injuries. His ankle was twisted and there was a pain in his side besides bruises. The woodsman brushed aside the incident as a mere trifle. Picking himself up he limped over miles of the roughest kind of trail to Buttle lake.

While attempting to construct a rude raft in order to cross the lake, Mr. King was found by "Lord" Bacon, a trapper who was operating in that vicinity. Mr. Bacon placed the injured man in his canoe and paddled to the lower end of the lake, and then down the turbulent Upper Campbell river to a lodge occupied at times by the trapper.

"He was in a sorry plight when he reached my cabin," said Bacon. "He was hungry, lame and ill; his clothes were torn his gun was bent and broken; and altogether he presented a very melancholy appearance.

"I tried to get him to stay in my cabin for a few days until I could get help to take him out. This he refused, saying that he was feeling fine and could easily do the remaining thirty miles to the settlement; so, packing a bit of lunch in his handkerchief and using his heavy, but useless rifle as a cane the poor old fellow hobbled out in the brush alone and made for home.

"The man was certainly in no condition to be in the woods at all, and had it been anybody in the country except 'Mike' King, whose strength, courage and woodcraft were so well known to me, I would never have trusted him outside the door."

After leaving "Lord" Bacon, Mr. King footed it down the Campbell river and lake to the Quinsan trail landing, where he secured a small canoe, which he paddled to McIvor lake. The remaining six miles to the settlement were covered by foot, the entire journey from Buttle lake being done in one day, a remarkable feat for any man.

In due course Mr. King got to Victoria. He told his family and friends of the occurrence, but made light of it and until August went about his business here as actively as ever. During the month mentioned he started for the east, visiting Montreal, New York and Chicago. While away he began to suffer and en route home endured much. On his arrival he was sent to the hospital and never left it alive.

The examination to which he was subjected showed that several ribs had been broken as a result of his accident months before and that these had knitted together in a haphazard fashion. But there were other internal hurts which, through the want of attention, became fatally serious. The physique which had been rendered impervious to hardships through constant outdoor life was laid low because of neglect of what had seemed but a trifling episode.

THE LATE "MIKE" KING

His Coming

Mr. King was sixty-two years of age and was born at Grand Rapids, Mich. Not much is known here of his earlier career except that it was spent in the woods for the most part, he occupying a position in connection with one of the prominent lumber concerns of that centre. Thirty-five years ago the lure of the West attracted, and he came to British Columbia, making his home in Victoria.

From that date this city was his head-quarters. He was fonder of the provincial capital than of any other community, but the greater part of his time was spent abroad. Both his business and his inclinations called him away on trips of exploration. How many times he travelled through the valleys of Vancouver Island, climbed the loftiest of her mountains, and followed her rivers and streams from their outlets to their almost inaccessible sources it would be difficult to say, but of this there can be no contradiction—Mike King ranked among the most thoroughly posted men in the West with regard to the native resources of this section of British Columbia.

One of his earliest associates in this district was Mr. Louis Casey, with whom he entered into partnership in the timber business soon after his arrival from the east. They secured timber limits on the Salmon and the Campbell rivers, at Comox and on Reid Island, and for years took out logs which were sold to the Sayward and the Chemainus mills. Later a firm comprising Messrs. Walkley, King and Casey, made a tender and secured the contract from Victoria for the installation of filter beds at Elk Lake.

When the discovery of gold in the Klondyke occurred, Mr. King's adventurous spirit would not permit him to keep entirely out of the excitement. Shrewdly calculating that his lumberman's knowledge might be turned to some account in the north in supplying the needs of the thousands who were flocking through this city on their way to the gold fields, Mr. King went to the centre of things to investigate. The result of this trip was the establishment on Lake Bennett of a sawmill, which turned out scows for the use of the people en route down the Yukon and which, incidentally, was probably one of the best paying propositions in that country at that time, with the possible exception of a few of the best placer mines.

His Life in Mexico

Returning to Victoria, as he invariably did after a period of wandering, he went south to Mexico. For five years he remained in that turbulent republic, investing in mines, in lands, and other propositions that commended themselves to him. The result was that he accumulated considerable "legal tender." Before coming north he took what he had made in the country and put it all back in a ranch, six hundred thousand acres in extent, several of his friends joining him in the enterprise. This immense tract of land Mr. King often used to refer to as something particularly choice. The agricultural sections, he said, had native grass high and thick enough to completely hide the Mexican mule. There were one hundred thousand acres of splendid timber.

Once more Mr. King took passage for his British Columbia home, and he hadn't been here long before he was the centre of activities. He owned property at Campbell river, and realizing that the time would soon arrive when the power, which might easily be generated by the falls of that stream, would be useful, he formed a company for the exploitation of that asset. He didn't live to see his scheme perfected. He also owned timber limits and coal measures, to the development of all which he was giving his personal attention, the trip on which he met with his fatal accident being, as stated, in connection with one of these enterprises.

Besides being an indefatigable worker, a shrewd though generous business man, and one of the most expert timber cruisers in the northwest, Mr. King was a prince of entertainers. He had a fund of stories of personal experiences, many of which were demonstrations of the truth of the adage that truth is stranger than fiction. Naturally, in his wandering in British Columbia, he had come in personal touch with the Indians, was able to discourse fluently in their patois, and his intimate knowledge of their character enabled him to pilot himself safely through many a tight corner. His favorite exclamation: "By the Lovely Dove" is a passport to the good fellowship of foresters from Mexico to Alaska.

Mr. King leaves to mourn his loss a widow and two children, a daughter and son.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the residence, Caledonia avenue.

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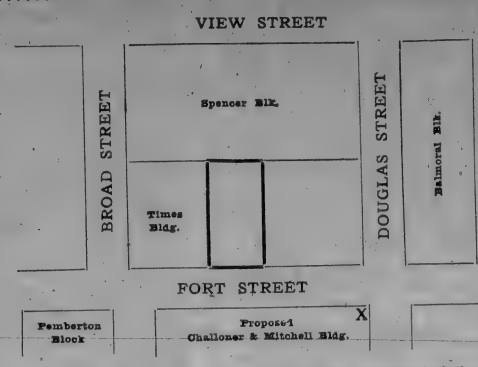

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The Westminster council of Women will nominate one of their number for school trustee at the approaching elections in the Royal city.

On the Waterfront

SELMA ARRIVES FOR COAST RUN

Little Steamer Came From the United Kingdom for Northern Trade—Had An Eventful Passage

WAS FORMERLY YACHT OF BRITISH MARQUIS

As the Santa Cecelia the Vessel Had Interesting History—Figured in Episode of Absconding French Banker

Another vessel arrived here on Sunday to join the growing coasting fleet—the steamer Selma, which was formerly the palatial steam yacht Santa Cecelia of the late Marquis of Anglesey. The Selma arrived at William Head on Sunday night and proceeded to Vancouver from Plymouth, England, after an eventful voyage. While in the Atlantic she ran into heavy gales and reached Montevideo short of fuel after burning part of her interior fittings. The steamer was bought by Capt. Polkinghorne, who brought her out. John Mortimer and another and is to be placed in the northern coast trade.

The Selma formerly known as the Santa Cecelia, was formerly the pleasure yacht of the Marquis of Anglesey. The Santa Cecelia was built in 1881 by Elder & Co., of Glasgow, and was such a luxurious craft that the bill presented to the Marquis was $380,000. The Santa Cecelia was sold at auction after her titled owner died and for a few years, beginning with 1897, the Santa Cecelia was used for quiet and decorous cruises by her new owner, Sir Thomas Sebastian Beasley. In 1905, the yacht, which had lain at Havre, suddenly disappeared, and in a few days later it was learned that the cashier of a prominent Paris bank had left his trusted position at the same time. As a coincidence, the bank found that $835,000 in English sovereigns was missing, as was also one of the most popular actresses of the French capital.

Several weeks later the Santa Cecelia, with the couple and the missing gold on board, was discovered at the port of Bahia, off the northern coast of South America. There was an arrest, and the banker who violated his trust is now serving a 15-year term in prison. The gold had been cleverly concealed within a bathtub built beneath a secret flooring.

Since this occurrence the ownership of the Santa Cecelia has changed rapidly, but a series of misfortunes attended each change, it is said. Last April the vessel was sold to her present owner, Captain Charles Polkinghorne, who is also the captain and navigator. Withdrawn from registry in the yacht club de lux, the yacht was rechristened the Selma, and after some slight changes and alterations was started on her trip to Victoria.

The Selma is a trim little craft, well engined and able to steam at 12 knots if necessary. On the voyage from Plymouth the little steamer jogged along at a 9.03 gait. The Selma came by way of the Straits of Magellan and on its 14,500 mile voyage encountered a number of heavy gales, through all of which the yacht emerged unharmed.

The living quarters on the Selma are well arranged and wonderfully roomy for the size of the vessel. Two of the staterooms are provided with baths, to reach which, however, it is necessary to raise a trap door in the floor. Staterooms with Roman baths are rare, even on big liners, although the Selma's tubs are Roman in location only.

The Selma, at the time she was built, was the finest craft of her class, and noble ladies and gentlemen of Europe many times made merry on her in the sunny Mediterranean. The vessel is 152 feet long, with 22-foot beam, and has compound condensing engines which develop eighty horsepower. The vessel was launched thirty years ago, but so trimly is she built and so thoroughly that time has made little difference in her sea-going qualities.

The Selma left Plymouth August 20. In the Atlantic, while weathering a heavy gale, her steering gear was carried away, and only good seamanship in making quick repairs prevented a more serious accident. In Smyth channel, off the west coast of South America, the vessel was in the ice for fourteen hours. The yacht is manned by a crew of sixteen.

Mother Grateful for the Saving of Son

Tells How He Was Rescued Through Neal 3-Day Liquor Habit Cure.

Here is a letter that will surely be of interest to relatives and all others concerned regarding the welfare of persons addicted to the use of intoxicants:

"I am so glad and happy that I want to tell everybody that I am not ashamed that my son went to the Neal Institute. It is too honorable a cause to be ashamed of. Rather, pat Dr. Neal on the back and say, 'God bless you for having studied the liquor habit and originated a cure that cures the drunkard.' He certainly has a good cause at heart for it calls for patience and constant thought and responsibility, and his work for fallen men will do more for the cause of practical temperance than all else, for it certainly removes the appetite that moves most to drink."

(The name is not published for the reason that all correspondence is held strictly confidential.)

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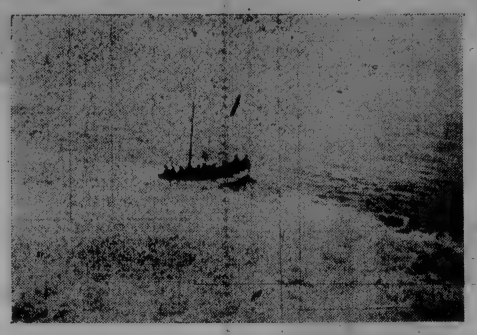
Princess Adelaide's Wireless Operator Saved Survivors of Burned Steamer



Mr. R. Leadbeater, the Marconi wireless operator on board the new steamer Princess Adelaide, who is in charge of the one and a half kilowatt apparatus on board, has the distinction of having been of service in saving sixteen survivors of the burned steamer West Point in the Atlantic about three months ago. Mr. Leadbeater, who was formerly on the Atlantic liner Devonian, hails from the Isle of Man, and had but two days at home from the sea when he was ordered to join the Princess Adelaide by the Marconi Company.

It was when the Devonian was on her way to Boston across the Western Ocean at the beginning of September last that he was instrumental in saving lives by the use of his wireless apparatus. The Devonian picked up one of the boats of the West Point, which had been burned at sea, and the survivors had taken to the open boats in which they had spent several trying days before the Devonian was sighted.

The accompanying illustration shows the boat's crew picked up by the Devonian nearing the Atlantic liner. Sixteen men and a cat saved from the West Point were taken on board, and they gave Mr. Leadbeater the position in which they had parted company with the other boat containing sixteen men. Mr. Leadbeater transmitted this news to the Cunard liner Mauretania, which, as a result, picked up the other boat.

Long accounts were telegraphed to the Boston newspapers by Mr. Leadbeater.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

By Government Wireless.
6 p. m.

Point Grey—Fog; calm; bar. 30.01; temp., 41; thick seaward. Spoke Prince George at 4.30 p. m., reported on mud flats. Will endeavor to get off in the morning. Has a list to starboard.

Cape azo—Fog; Lealm; bar., 30.04; temp., 40; sea smooth.

Tatoosh—Cloudy; N. E. wind, thirty-six miles; bar., 30.00; temp., 46. In two-masted steamer at 6 p. m.

Pachena—Cloudy; fresh S. E. wind; bar., 29.6 ; temp., 40; sea smooth. Steamer resembling the Lebro westbound at 4.40 p. m.

Estevan—Cloudy; light S. E. wind; bar., 29.79; temp., 48; light swell.

Trinagle—Hazy; overcast; S. E. wind, 48 miles; bar., 29.94; temp., 40; sea rough.

Ikeda—Cloudy; S. W. wind; bar., 29.34; temp., 50; heavy swell.

Prince Rupert—Rain; calm; bar., 29.71; temp., 48; sea smooth. In, steamer Senator at 3.30 p. m., out again at 4.30 p. m. southbound.

AYMERIC DUE TAMBA OUTBOUND

Weir Liner Expected to Reach the Outer Wharf Today from Orient—Japanese Steamer Sails Outbound

The steamer Aymeric, of the Weir line, is due today at the outer wharf from the Orient with a large cargo, and the steamer Tamba Maru, of the Nippon Yusen kaisha will sail this afternoon from the outer wharf bound to Yokohama and the usual ports of call between the Japanese port and Hongkong. The Aymeric left Yokohama on December 3rd, bringing a large cargo of general freight, including a rich shipment of silk, from many ports between Manila and Yokohama. She is now out over seventeen days, and is expected to reach port today.

Two other liners are inbound from the Far East, the steamer Kamakura Maru is from Kobe and Yokohama, and left the last named Japanese port on December 7th. She is due here tomorrow. The Keemun, of the Holt line, which is completing her voyage from Liverpool, left Yokohama on December 10th, and is scheduled to reach port on Friday.

The steamer Empress of Japan left Hongkong on Saturday on her way to Victoria via Shanghai and Japanese ports. She is scheduled to leave Yokohama on Christmas Day, and is due here on January 5th. The Tacoma Maru, of the Osaka Shosen kaisha line, on her second voyage to Victoria, left Yokohama on Tuesday last, and is scheduled to arrive on December 28th. The Awa Maru, of the Nippon Yusen kaisha will leave Yokohama for Victoria tomorrow.

The steamer Makura, of the Canadian-Australian line, left Sydney yesterday on her way to this port, and is due here via Brisbane, Suva and Honolulu, on January 11th.

PRINCESS ADELAIDE BEING MADE READY

General Public Not Admitted on Board Owing to Presence of Many Workmen

The general public is not being admitted to the new steamer Princess Adelaide owing to the fact that painters and others are busy getting the steamer in readiness to enter service. Many, who went yesterday and on Sunday to inspect the steamer, were disappointed. The C. P. R. officials state that as soon as the work of preparing the Adelaide for service is completed there will be open house on board, when a general invitation will be extended to the public. There is much to be done yet on board. The grill room is to be put in, this having been left by the builders to be furnished here, and there is much painting, cleaning, etc., to be done. The steamer will probably not enter service for a month.

Swedish Steamer Lost

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The steamer Cedric has been wrecked near Gefle, a seaport of Sweden. Twelve persons were drowned, including all the officers. The Cedric, which was of 1,100 tons, was coal laden.

CAPT. BARTLETT LEAVES STEAMER BELLEROPHON

Goes to Take Command of One of New Passenger Liners For the Australian Trade

Capt. R. W. Bartlett, of the Blue Funnel liner Bellerophon, has been transferred to the new Australian liner Ascanius, which is to sail from Liverpool on December 30th on her maiden voyage to the Antipodes. Capt. Collister, who was formerly chief officer with Capt. Bartlett on some of the Blue Funnel steamers, has been appointed master of the Bellerophon. Capt. Warrell, formerly of the Perseus, has been appointed to the Anchises, and Capt. Walker goes to the Aeneas.

Capt. W. Cope Lycett, who is well known as master of the Blue Funnel liner Oanfa is, contrary to expectations, making another trip in that steamer. The Oanfa left Liverpool for Tacoma November 12, and was reported arriving at Port Said November 24. A number of changes have been made in the offices under Capt. Lycett's command.

Chief Officer George Flynn, who has been on the Oanfa for several years, has been transferred to the Blue Funnel liner Achilles. On this vessel he will make shorter runs, and as he is in line for promotion, his friends at this port expect soon to hear of his appointment to the command of one of the new vessels of the fleet.

William Hutchon, who has been second officer of the steamer Oanfa for some time, has been promoted to the position of first officer of the steamer Stentor.

BUSY SCENE IN THE INNER HARBOR

Many Vessels at the Wharves—Animated Spectacles Presented During the Afternoon

There was a busy scene in the inner harbor yesterday. The wharves are well lined with vessels, and the C. P. R. docks across the bay were also filled. About 3.30 p. m. there was quite a picture. The Princess Victoria was backing away from her wharf and the Princess Charlotte, which had been delayed at Vancouver owing to the fog at that port, was coming into the harbor, while the Joan was slowing down awaiting the opening of the E. & N. bridge. At the C. P. R. wharves were the new Princess Adelaide, the Iroquois, Tees, Otter, and lined along the wharves of the inner harbor were the Princess Ena and Charmer, tied up at the Enterprise wharf, the government steamer Quadra, in from the north, the Marmion was at Gilley's wharf, and the schooner Pescawha was nearby being made ready for her sealing voyage, while beyond lay the tug Etta White and another tug.

WRECK OF KITSAP IS BEING RAISED

Sound Steamer Sunk After Collision With Indianapolis Is Located by Wreckers

SEATTLE, Dec. 19.—The sunken hull of the steamer Kitsap, lying in about 200 feet of water has been located by wreckers employed by the underwriters. The hull lies almost directly off the face of pier 4 and about 800 feet out in the bay. The spot was marked with a buoy and work commenced on getting cables under the vessel.

The usual method of lifting a hull from such a depth is to get a cable under each end of the steamer and fasten the two cables together near the centre by slipping down an iron loop over the four free ends. With this hold on the hull it is comparatively simple to lift the vessel some distance in the water. With the hull picked up off the bottom, it can be towed in, to shallow water, where it can be easily worked on.

If the work can be done at a profit, the underwriters will probably repair the vessel and turn it back to the owners.

Will Take Holly

Steamer President, which sails today and the Umatilla which sails five days later, will both carry shipments of holly from Victoria for San Francisco.

Brought Schooner's Crew

Steamer Bertha arrived at Seattle on Sunday from Valdez and Seward. She brought down the crew of the schooner Allen A., blown ashore on Kodiak island a few days ago.

Halibut Fisheries Catch

More than $200 a man will accrue to the hands on the gasoline halibut schooner Daisy as the result of about a week's fishing off the west coast of Vancouver Island just finished. The Daisy has reached Seattle with a catch of 27,000 pounds of halibut, with the market price 7 1-4 cents a pound.

Wireless for Canneries

The Alaska Packers' association has completed arrangements with the United Wireless Telegraph company to install instruments in its canneries at Nak-Nek, Karluk, Nushagak, Kogglung and Clarke point. This will make communication from cannery to cannery easy and quick. In addition the company has arranged to equip the steamer Kvichak with wireless. The company's steamer Nushagak is already equipped.

Northwestern Contract Let

Within forty-five days at the outside the Alaska Steamship company expects to have its liner Northwestern, wrecked at False Bay, San Juan Island on December 2, again in commission. A contract to repair the vessel was let to the Heffernan Engine Works for $35,000. When the Northwestern drove onto the rocks the vessel was badly damaged forward, but suffered no harm aft. The machinery, with the exception of a couple of minor pumps, is also uninjured. A new keel will be placed in the steamship from the bow to a distance of sixty feet aft and the bottom and sides will be repaired for about the same distance.

RICH MINE SOLD

Standard, at Silverton, B. C., Now in Hands of Spokane Capitalists—Will Be Worked

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 19.—The Standard mine at Silverton, B. C., said to be the biggest and richest silver-lead mine in Canada, has changed ownership, Patrick Clark, of Spokane, having bought today 65 per cent. interest in it on the basis of $2,500,000 cash for the property.

The vendors are John A. Finch, of Spokane, and George A. Aylward, of New Denver, B. C., each of whom owned a half interest. Associated with Mr. Clark in the purchase are A. B. Campbell, partner of John A. Finch for twenty-five years in the mining business, and W. J. C. Wakefield, of Spokane.

Together with Mr. Finch, who retains 35 per cent. interest in the property, they will incorporate the Standard Consolidated Mining Company to take the property over and work it.

Pugilist Killed by Blow

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Edward (Kid) Gardner, a local lightweight pugilist, died in a hospital here on Saturday from injuries received last night in a bout with John Kain at the Nonpariel Athletic Club. Gardner, who was 21 years old, never regained consciousness after being sent to the floor for the final count. He died from a fracture of the skull. Kain, who is 22 years old, is in the county prison, the committing magistrate having refused to accept bail, and others connected with the fatal bout were held in bond as witnesses.

Fight Leads to Tragedy

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Billy Gallagher, timekeeper at the boxing contest between "One-round" Hogan and Johnny Frayne today, was shot and mortally wounded Saturday by Charles Long, a deputy sheriff of San Mateo county. Long fled after the shooting, but was captured later. Gallagher was standing in a saloon discussing the boxing match, when Long, said to have been on unfriendly terms with him for some time, entered. A row started immediately. Bystanders say that Gallagher struck Long, who drew a revolver from his pocket and fired two shots. One of them was deflected by a wallet in Gallagher's pocket, and the other entered his abdomen.

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There are some persons whose idea of music is singing hymns round an untuned piano on a Sunday evening. And there are others! To these Mr. L. Turner confidently appealed last night when he gave the first of what we hope will be many orchestral concerts at the Victoria theatre. Contrary to popular belief, it is easier to praise than to criticise. It is, however, difficult to express adequately one's thanks to Mr. Turner for showing his belief in the musical tastes of Victorian residents by getting together an orchestra of really accomplished musicians, and by presenting such an orchestra in a programme as ambitious in conception as it proved brilliant in execution. The audience was large, but not such as the concert deserved. Had it been an American dime show of red-nosed, straggled-legged comedians, and pigeon-chested anatomic actresses, the theatre would have been packed. The representative audience, however, that were present enjoyed a rare musical treat, and gave Mr. Turner and his orchestra a "send-off" of magnificent approbation.

Just as biliousness is a liver complaint and often mistaken for piety; so, as a rule, destructive criticism is not so much a state of mind as a condition of the liver. On the other hand—if one may be pardoned a digression that is no so far from the concert as it may seem—much dramatic and musical "criticism" is written by amiable but unsophisticated book-reviewers, who act merely as a recording angel to the box office. These ransack a dictionary (in lieu of their brains) for nicely sugared adjectives, which, meaning nothing, do no harm.

In such an event as the initial concert of the Turner orchestra in our city, one fears to let the encouragement of praise outrun the confines of legitimate criticism. It is, therefore, a pleasure to be able to congratulate Mr. Turner as much on his performance as on his enterprise. He has selected an orchestra of between 30 and 40 musicians, whose only fault—if fault it be—is in construction rather than execution. Judging from the programme given last night, we would suggest a numerical strengthening of the wind instruments. Both in the Grand March from "Aida" and in the concluding item, the weakness of the "wind" as compared with the "strings" was, we thought, particularly marked. In "Aida," too, there seemed in one place a discord that was not in the book; otherwise the performance was really admirable. In Mr. Raoul Pereira Mr. Turner has secured a rare virtuoso as his "chef d'orchestre." Allied to a mastery of technique, Mr. Pereira unites the magnetism of real interpretative genius. At times when it was called for, he seemed to be a little lacking in tone, but the acoustics of the theatre are not exactly perfect. Personally we regard the unwritten use of the "glide" and the "tremulo" to be unwarranted save by nervousness. This, so finished an artiste would scarcely claim as an "extenuating circumstance." Whether those present consider his rendering of Saint-Saen's exquisite "Romance," the composer's conception of how it should be played or not—apart from this we would pay a sincere tribute to the sensitive and expressive playing of Mr. Pereira. Nor should we have stopped to carp thus for ever, had not the status of such a virtuoso as Mr. Pereira deserved such detailed criticism. Another soloist and of rare quality, was Mr. Max Steindel, a young 'cellist of highly attuned temperament and a breadth of expression that should carry him far. The encore he gave to Popper's Gavotte was the gem of the evening, and he had to take two or three other recalls.

Indeed, the audience showed an appreciation, as enthusiastic as it was discriminating, and both Mr. Pereira and Mr. Max Steindel received the persistent encores their delightful solos deserved. With regard to the playing of the orchestra, a few words must suffice till "next time"—which we hope will not be long in coming. Their programme was one which was a thorough test of their ability or the reverse. That they came through with flying colors was an individual as well as a collective triumph. Their rendering of "Elsie's Dream" in "Lohengrin" was the finest we have ever heard. No soloist could have better conveyed the mystical significance and supreme beauty of this—one of the grandest of Wagner's conceptions. Admirable in attack, time and temper their playing was appreciated most by those who were most capable of judging of its merits. Admirable, too, was the performance of the difficult overture from Rossini's "Semeramidi," while the military march "Old Comrades" which concluded a catholic programme was played with fine spirit and verve.

Mr. Raoul Pereira was singularly fortunate in his accompanist, who was not on the programme, but deserves a special word of praise that all present will echo.

Mr. L. Turner wielded the "baton" in a manner that indicated the controlling spirit as well as the creative power of the whole concert. One can give him no more fitting praise for the masterful execution of the least romantic but most vital feature of the performance. He may rest assured that he has given Victoria something to talk about, which should serve to pack the theatre for his next orchestral concert. We congratulate him as heartily as we wish him the future success last night's entertainment should bespeak.

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AMUSEMENTS

Jamieson's Crystal Theatre.

Mr. D. Black, with his concertinas, who opened as a special feature at the Crystal Theatre yesterday is going to prove a big drawing card during the week. His work on this instrument has not been excelled by any who have ever appeared in Victoria and he has a distinct novelty in "Wee McGregor," a little concertina which he carries in his vest pocket. His playing of selections from "Il Trovatore" brought down the house, and other numbers rendered in response to insistent encores were equally well received. The films of yesterday and today are also unusually good; the whole programme including a new song by Thomas J. Price, being a most pleasurable one. Mr. Black will play all the week, changing his repertoire with the changes of pictures tomorrow and Friday.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Jubilee Hospital Ball.

Sir—It is gratifying to learn from an item in the press that some six hundred dollars odd was realized to the Jubilee hospital as a result of the recent ball at the Empress, but in common with many who patronized that function I would like to see published a statements of receipts and expenditures. All are aware that such entertainments as the one referred to are always very expensive to manage but as it is commonly reported that the last edition of 500 tickets was supplemented by an additional 300 and these were reported practically all sold and some paid admissions at the door. The amount remaining does seem somewhat genteel, particularly when one remembers the attenuated menu even for a charity ball that remained for those who had the misfortune to miss the first "table." I speak from experience.

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their names, and after the submission of blueprints of the mine as exhibits, the first witness called was James Burke, secretary of the Bellevue local union of the U. M. W. of A., who gave evidence regarding the notice which he as secretary had wired to Chief Inspector Stirling on the third of December, asking him for an inspection of the mine. He stated that this was done at the request of the local union, but could not state any particular man as having reported gas as being present in the mine. His action was the result of a general discussion which had taken place and in pursuance of the wishes of the miners present, some of whom had reported the presence of gas in considerable quantities. Asked how the presence of gas was detected, he replied that it was by the action of the miners' lamps. Pressed by Mr. Campbell for names of miners who had reported the presence of the gas, Mr. Burke stated that he had kept no record of names, only recording the result of the discussion and wiring the chief inspector as instructed.

Mr. Mackie stated that he would undertake to produce men who had reported the facts relating to the presence of gas, and Mr. Burke was excused.

Surgeon's Evidence

Dr. Malcolmson, resident surgeon for the Bellevue and other camps, was next sworn and gave evidence as to the appearance of the dead men, stating it was his opinion that they died under the effects of inhaling carbon monoxide, or after-damp. One man had wounds upon the face and head, but his face also showed the same symptoms as did those of the others who had not been wounded.

The doctor was subjected to quite an extended cross-examination at the hands of Mr. Mackie, who wished to learn of him the distinction, if any, between from the effects of carbon monoxide and death from carbon dioxide, but the witness did not care to go so far into those distinctions, claiming lack of personal experience in such matters.

On re-examination by Mr. Campbell, he stated that a gas explosion might be caused by friction of larger bodies of flinty rocks falling in, but fire or intense heat must be present in order to cause an explosion such as had occurred.

Asked by Mr. Campbell if it were possible that a large cave or fall of rock might liberate a hidden body of gas which, though lighter than air, might be drawn downward by the suction caused by the falling rock and thus come in contact with the sparks or heat and cause an explosion, the doctor answered that it might, but he could not be positive on such a point.

Curious Tangle

At the close of the examination of Dr. Malcolmson an unexpected situation was created by the foreman of the jury, Mr. Cameron, who rose to state that he had not anticipated the possibility of the jury having to pass upon anything further than that these men had been killed by an explosion. He did not feel competent to go into an investigation of the causes which had led to that explosion, and said he would not consider any evidence which he could not give an unprejudiced verdict upon the causes of the explosion.

Some time was taken up by arguments of counsel upon this unprecedented situation, and the coroner finally adjourned the sitting to 1:30 p. m. in order to give time for consideration. Attorney Campbell at once got busy in an effort to get in touch with Attorney General Mitchell at Edmonton, but when the session resumed at the appointed hour it was found he had no word from Edmonton, and a second adjournment of an hour was taken.

At the end of the second wait, Mr. Campbell had still failed to get in touch with his Chief. A second effort to solve the tangle proved as abortive as the first. The foreman still refused to consider any evidence tending to establish the cause of the explosion in the mine, saying he had not understood or heard that portion of the oath he took when it was read to him. Mr. Campbell was willing to proceed with it, trusting to the honesty and integrity of the jurymen, but Attorney Mackie objected unless the other attorneys would agree to confine the evidence to the fact that the men were killed in the explosion, leaving the facts as to the cause which produced the explosion to be investigated by some other tribunal. To this Mr. Campbell replied that he could not consent to splitting the evidence on to a second investigation.

Unable to Agree.

Mr. Mackie then said that if the foreman would retract the statement that he would not consider evidence relating to the cause of the explosion he would be willing to take chances upon the other juryman changing his mind as the investigation proceeded, but as the foreman flatly refused to consider this statement he, as attorney for the miners, must flatly refuse to go on producing evidence before a judge who had rendered his decision in advance.

To allow of further efforts to get instructions from Edmonton, Coroner Pinkney, upon motion of Mr. Mackie, adjourned the sitting to seven o'clock this evening. The attorneys in the case are acting in a perfectly fair and friendly way and evince a desire to have the proceedings take the widest possible scope, in order that all the facts bearing in any way upon the case may be brought out. This feeling is also shared to the full extent by both mine workers and operators present.

At the evening session it was still evident that the deadlock caused by the action of the two jurymen could not be broken without further communication with the attorney-general's department. Coroner Pinkney again adjourned the sitting to Tuesday, January third, at which time the jury and all witnesses were commanded to appear and continue the hearing without further notice.

GOTHAM SHAKEN BY EXPLOSION

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pened then will never be positively known. The roof of the fire house No. 3, directly across the street from the powerhouse lifted like a magic carpet. A shower of glass, bricks, mortar, splinters and timbers began to fall on the pavements, and in the interval the streets were filled with prostrate men and women blown flat by the shock and the rush of the air. They sat dazed where they fell, picking slivers from their flesh. A moment more and crowds besieged the drug stores, begging for aid and clamoring for telephones, and then the clattering gongs of ambulances rang between the tall buildings. The tenements to the east of Lexington avenue poured thousands into the streets.

Frank Smith, the chaffeur of the wrecked automobile, cut, bruised and shaken, said: "Almost before I realized that there had been an explosion," he said, "a rain of bricks and mortar began to fall on me.

"Then a six-foot timber shot down out of the sky like an arrow. I had one foot on the brake and the other on the accelerator, with my knees wide apart. That great arrow passed between them and smashed down through the floor of the car. Then the trolley car toppled over on me and pinned me beneath the mass of wreckage. Two priests were pulling me out for dead, when I got my wits."

In Overturned Car.

The worst focus of death was the spot at which the trolley car and the automobile were hurled together. The seven passengers were dumped to the underside of the car in a tangle of ironwork, sharp fragments of glass and broken panels. Miss Mary Pope was caught by the head between a stanchion and the overturned automobile beneath and crushed to death. Three other passengers, all men, were overwhelmed with wreckage and died before help could reach them.

Twenty feet away Miss Edith Offner, 28 years old, a stenographer in a magazine office, on her way to work, was speared through the head by a flying joist. Policeman Toomey had just signalled to the trolley car to stop and leading two little girls across the street by the hand. One was torn from his hand by the first blast of air and the other by the rebound. The second girl, Mary Gilman, 12 years old, had her right leg torn off by a flying fragment of iron railing surrounding the Lexington avenue station.

Seventeen men in fire house No. 2 were shaken from their beds. Battalion Chief Duffy was sitting at his desk when the windows fell about him and an iron girder burst through the wall, knocking him down and badly bruising him. He got the men to bandage him and went to work immediately.

In the Bible teachers' training school, founded by Miss Helen Gould, on Lexington avenue, fifty young men and women were eating breakfast. Those on the far side of the room first realized that there had been a serious accident when in looking toward the street they saw the napery on the tables nearest the windows dabbled with blood. Fully half the students were painfully cut by the flying glass.

In the babies' hospital, at Fifty-ninth street and Lexington avenue, the infants were being given their morning bath. Nurses were thrown to the floor with babies in their arms, other babies were tipped off their cribs, and in two instances babies were popped upward out of their tubs as if they had been drawn out by a powerful suction.

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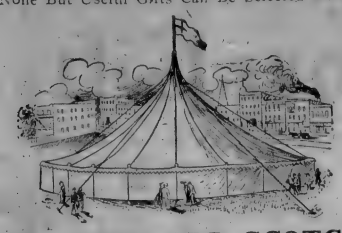

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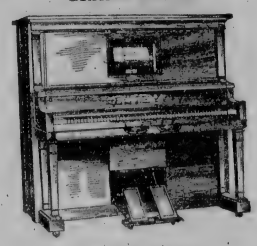

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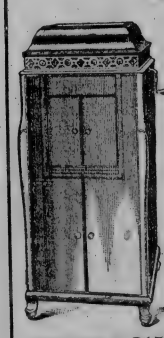

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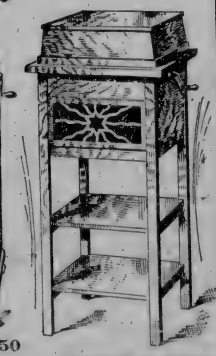

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FATHER'S LONG SEARCH REWARDED

Four Months' Hunt For Missing Son Results in Success Here in Victoria—Boy Wanted to "Make Good"

After a vain search of over four months, during which time he visited practically every city of any importance on the coast and then directed his attention to the Canadian side, John Schultheis, a prominent resident of Grand Forks, North Dakota, was rewarded on Sunday afternoon when his long missing son was brought to him by Detectives O'Leary and Heuther. Yesterday father and son left via Seattle for home, where the Christmas celebration, which promised to be a gloomy one in the Schultheis home, will be one of rejoicing.

Young Schultheis left home several months ago for Seattle. At first he kept in touch with his parents and then of a sudden his letters ceased. Awaiting in vain any news of his son the father started on his long hunt. No trace of the boy could he found in Seattle and the father started for the south. After exhausting every effort there he turned north under the impression that the boy had come to this side of the boundary. He arrived in the city on Sunday afternoon and gave the police authorities a description of his son as well as a photograph. Within half an hour father and son were united, the father breaking down as the boy entered the detective office. The meeting was a pathetic one.

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The boy, who is about seventeen years of age, arrived here about two weeks ago looking for work and called at the detective office, saying he was entirely out of funds. He was given lodgings at the police station for one night and the detectives contributed sufficient to keep him in food for a day or two until he had an opportunity of securing work, which he did. When the father produced the photograph the detectives remembered the youth, and he was soon located.

Heartfelt were the thanks which the father showered upon the police officials as he and his son departed for their hotel. The boy admitted that he had not written home because he was broke and he wished to "make good" on his own account.

GOOD TIME TO ASK FOR NEW SYSTEM

Downtown Streets Not Passed For Cluster Lights Can Be Provided For Now Better Than Later

If there are any other thoroughfares the owners on which are contemplating the installation of the cluster system of street lighting, now is the time for them to petition the city council to undertake the work. City Electrician Hutchinson is figuring on a system of power distribution and if other downtown streets want the lighting it will be much easier for him to cover the whole area than to later have to make changes. At present about the only important downtown streets which have not petitioned for the new lighting are Broad street and Government street. When these come in, a pretty complete service will be projected.

The lights on Douglas street from Humboldt street to Johnson, will, it is expected, be ready for operation this week and the entire system on that thoroughfare in about three weeks time. Comments have been made on the fact that the lights now in operation on Yates street are allowed to burn until late in the mornings, but the city electrician states that these lights are as yet under test. Some defects have developed and some of the lights have not been working properly, but these defects are minor ones and will be quickly remedied. There are not enough lights of this variety in operation as yet to warrant the appointment of a permanent inspector but as soon as the other streets are provided for, an inspector will be on hand and defects which may arise will be promptly attended to.

When the various streets now passed for cluster lights are provided for, the present arc lights will be taken down and installed in outside sections of the city where more street lighting is needed. The work of installing the new arc lights recently secured by the city is proceeding. Many people cannot understand why the city workmen, after preparing for the installation of a light, leave the pole with the wire strung upon it and fail to put on the lamp. As a matter of fact, when a number of new arc lights are being installed the wiring must be in readiness for all the lights as in consequence of the increase in the number of arc lights a new distribution of the wires has had to be made and the change from the old system to the new must be done all at once.

GOVERNMENT TO RESCUE

Farmers Request That Public Elevators be Provided at Vancouver For Western Grain

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—The report submitted by farmers on terminal elevators to Sir Wilfrid Laurier said in part: "What we have said in regard to the benefits of government ownership of elevators at Port William and Port Arthur applies equally to elevators that must be constructed in the near future, particularly at Vancouver. The reasons are even more urgent in respect to Vancouver than have been advanced for acquiring those at Fort William and Port Arthur. The reasonable and logical way for grain produced in Alberta, and even in the western portion of Saskatchewan, to find its market is via what has been termed the western route, with Vancouver as its terminal. The development that is bound to take place in British Columbia in the next decade assures us that a very large portion of the farm products of Alberta will find a market in that province.

"The completion of the Panama canal, and also the erection of proper facilities on the Tehuantepec railway, which is bound to come, means that a great deal of western Canada grain will find its European market via the Pacific Coast. Vancouver has an open port all the year.

"There is good reason for believing that efforts are being made at present to create a terminal elevator company at Vancouver which promises even worse conditions than exist at Port Arthur today. It is the imperative duty of the government to prevent this by taking immediate steps to provide the necessary facilities for the handling of grain in Vancouver in such a way that the smallest dealer and the largest elevator owners shall be upon an equality in the advantages which they can secure from it. There is no reason whatever for permitting a condition of things to grow up in Vancouver that will be worse in effect than what we have been complaining of on the eastern route to our market."

GERMAN CAPITAL EMULATES PARIS

Pleasure Palaces With French Names Springing Up in Berlin—New "Ice Palace" Among Them

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—Berlin is gradually being inundated with pleasure palaces. Each new one is gaudier and more imposing than the one before. Whole streets are being given over to them, and the night is lurid with their multitudinous and glaring lights. Paris is becoming a city of darkness by comparison. The appetite of the Berliners for these "night life" resorts is apparently insatiable. There seems to be no lack of capital for new enterprises and each lavishes hundreds of thousands of marks in the attempt to outdo its predecessor in novelty and extravagance.

A couple of weeks ago the "Clou"—no Berlin pleasure palace nowadays is complete without an unmistakably Frenchy name—was opened. It is a truly gigantic concert house, with elaborate cafe and restaurant features. As far as the eye can reach there is an ocean of tables, with a rostrum for an orchestra or band so far away that guests at one end must strain their ears to catch the melody. People said the Clou was too big to prosper, but on any afternoon between five and seven, eight or ten thousand persons are there, most of them equipped to remain until midnight.

This week a new "ice palace" flung open its doors in the Potsdemerstrasse, the second of its kind Berlin now possesses, but twice as large and twice as elaborate as its predecessor. There is a skating space of 2,400 square metres, flanked by three enormous galleries in amphitheatre style with seating capacity for 8,000 people. Electric sunshine of blinding effulgence is provided by 124 huge arc lights and 36,000 incandescents, with a combined candle-power of 750,000. The ceiling, which is over 100 feet above the ice surface, covers the respectable area of two acres.

In a week or two there is to be opened another immense and ornate pleasure parade in the Rehrenstrasse, the new concert and dance establishment of the Metropo theatre. In keeping with the spirit of the times the concert house will be called "La Mascotte" and the terpsichorean annex, "Palais du Danse."

The amazing thing about al the new places is that they seem to coin money from the night their portals are thrown open.

HEROES OF TAXDIRT

King Alfonso Enthuses Soldiers By Comparing Them With Conquerors of Seville

MADRID, Dec. 19.—King Alfonso was present at the religious ceremony in Seville cathedral held to celebrate the anniversary of the conquest of Seville. His Majesty took part in the procession, carrying the sword of San Fernando.

Afterwards the king proceeded to the field of San Sebastian, where the troops formed square, for the purpose of conferring a decoration on the rolors of the regiment of Alfonso XII. After reviewing the troops the king placed himself in the centre of the square. The standard-bearer advanced, and his majesty, having dismounted, attached the coveted collar of San Fernando, exclaiming:

"Soldiers! Those who, like you, bravely fought at the memorable victory of Taxdirt merit the enthusiastic esteem of all good patriots, because you defend the national honor and the prestige of the army. Soldiers of Alfonso XII! Spanish soldiers! Viva Espana!

Thunderous cheering followed his allocution and continued during the march past of the troops, which was witnessed by all Seville, as the shops had been closed as on feast days. Next the standards of all the cavalry regiments, which had been arranged one side of the square, were collected in the barrack yard of the Lancers at Villa Viciosa, where a delegation of students in the presence of the king, handed a crown of laurels to the heroes of Taxdirt. The king gave a banquet to the authorities and officers at the Alcazar and was present at the festivities organized by the municipality.

Justified in Killing Husband

GENEVA, Dec. 19.—Mme. Remonda has been declared by the tribunal at Berne to be justified in killing her divorced husband, Gregirio Remonda, in September last. The pair met during the evening on one of the principal bridges in Berne, and, surrounded by a crowd of people, began a revolver duel under the lamplight. It was proved at the trial that the man shot first, hitting his wife in the back. She fell on her knees, but drawing a revolver, aimed five times at the man, who continued to shoot. Her last shot passed through the man's head killing him on the spot. The wife, who received two wounds, was carried to a hospital, where the bullets were extracted, and she remained there until a few days ago. When the verdict of acquittal was given there were cheers in court.

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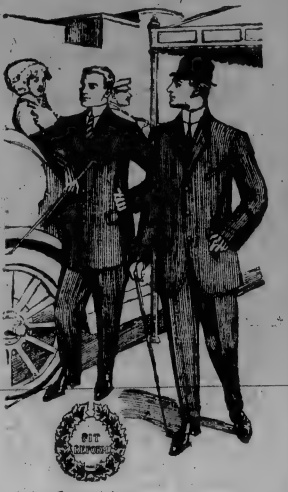

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PRINCE GEORGE GOES ASHORE

Grand Trunk Pacific Liner Grounded During Fog in Narrows at Vancouver — Tug William Jolliffe to Assist

The steamer Prince George is the latest victim of the fog. Bound into Vancouver yesterday morning from Victoria on her way to Prince Rupert at high water the G. T. P. liner grounded on the mud at the north side of the narrows, opposite the old beacon, and the salvage tug William Jolliffe was despatched yesterday afternoon from Esquimalt to assist in floating the vessel. Thick fog has prevailed for some days at Vancouver and local steamers have been delayed. The steamer Amur, bound into Vancouver a few days ago, grounded a short distance from where the Prince George struck and was floated without injury. The Prince George was making her way into the channel and was a little far over to the north shore in the fog with the result that she struck, and as the tide fell she sank into the mud. The wireless operator got in touch with the Point Grey wireless station at once and the tug Peerless was sent out, but she failed to move the stranded vessel. It is not expected that the steamer will floated until high water today. As far as can be ascertained the Prince George is not injured to any considerable extent, but it is feared she will be strained somewhat. She was resting easily in the sand at last reports.

HALIBUT FISHERS AND THEIR WORK

Seattle Schooners Return With Catches Taken Off Vancouver Island—Tales of Poaching

The gasoline schooner Thistle, one of the Seattle fishing fleet, engaged off the west coast of Vancouver Island, has returned to Seattle after a cruise lasting eighteen days with 50,000 pounds of halibut. The Seattle Times says the Thistle spent fifteen of the eighteen days "dodging in and out of Sidney Inlet and Kyuquot Sound." The schooners Washington and Roosevelt have also returned, the former with 35,000 pounds and the latter with 28,000 pounds of halibut.

Interested in Rumor

The Seattle Times of Sunday says: "Seattle men interested in the halibut fishing industry have been debating a report, recently current, that action is to be taken against Puget Sound fishing vessels, alleged to engage in poaching British Columbia waters for bait. It is said, on the British Columbia side, that the attention of the government at Ottawa is to be called to the subject, with a view of devising a method to suppress the alleged practice.

"It is freely stated here that though isolated instances may have occurred, where vessels of the local fleet have entered forbidden waters searching for herring bait, yet the great bulk of the fishing fleet is careful to keep outside of the restricted limits."

Capt. Newcombe of the fishery protection cruiser Kestrel, quoted by a Prince Rupert paper, when the Kestrel was coaling on Monday last, said: "The United States fishing vessels are certainly using the British waters for illegal fishing but they are not doing so within his territory. The particular spot which the poachers are favoring is off Sidney Island where they are practically immune from interference. The vast stretches of water to be covered by the three 'mile' boats now on service renders it very difficult for them to catch the law breakers. It is not necessary for them to confine their operations to any one spot as fish are plentiful all along the coast, and by the time the patrol boats get wind of them they are gone like fleeting shadows to hatten on another shore."

INVESTIGATING CHINESE IMMIGRATION

Commission Appointed by Government Begins Sittings at Vancouver

A commission appointed to investigate the existing methods of Chinese immigration with special reference to the recent frauds disclosed wherein alleged merchants were being landed at Vancouver and the importation of opium, began its sittings before Judge Murphy of the supreme court at Vancouver yesterday, George E. McCrossan represents the Ottawa government.

The commission was appointed in view of disclosures of frauds in connection with free entry of Chinese merchants under the terms of the Chinese exclusion act. A quiet probe conducted by the customs department under which Chinese immigration falls, revealed the fact that by the use of fraudulent passports obtained in China hundreds of Chinese were getting into the country without paying the $500 head tax.

While the preliminary investigation did not get to the bottom of the matter, it afforded reason for the belief that there exists a great organization with ramifications on both sides of the Pacific, and that incoming Chinese who wish to evade the tax pay tribute to this cabal.

One of the first acts of the department was the suspension of Yip On, the interpreter at this port, and the substitution for him of David Lew, a young Chinese lawyer. Lew came to Victoria to meet several arriving vessels from the Orient, and found the Chinese on board well supplied with money and letters addressed to the syndicate here. In this way scores of Chinese were held here, and either forced to pay the head tax or deported.

The inquiry is practically unlimited in its scope so far as Chinese immigration is concerned, and it is believed that interesting things will be revealed. As a preliminary step, counsel for the government has had a search in the registry offices of British Columbia and has discovered that there are thousands of Chinese "firms" in existence, each with from four to thirty partners. The inference is that practically all the Chinese in the province are merchants or that the merchants exemption clause in that statute has been badly abused.

QUADRA RETURNS FROM NORTHERN CRUISE

Oiler Lost Finger During Voyage As Result of Accident—New Beacons Placed, Others Overhauled

The government steamer Quadra returned to port on Sunday from Prince Rupert, Ikeda Bay and northern ports after placing two new beacons, one in the vicinity of Prince Rupert, the other near Ikeda Bay. The majority of the northern beacons were recharged and overhauled. During the cruise, it. Gerrard, an oiler, met with an accident, one of his fingers being crushed. He was landed at Prince Rupert for hospital treatment and the finger was amputated. Alex Dingwall, a deckhand, was also landed at Prince Rupert for hospital treatment, owing to illness.

ANOTHER SOUTH PAW PITCHER SECURED

Another addition to the pitching staff of the Victoria Baseball Club: Manager Wattnet announced last evening that word had been received from Eddie Householder of the signing of Ormonde Cole, a California southpaw. Nothing is known of the record or ability of the new man, but it is taken for granted that he is one likely to make good. If he hasn't the earmarks of a strong twirler Householder would not have decided to give him a trial at the spring training.

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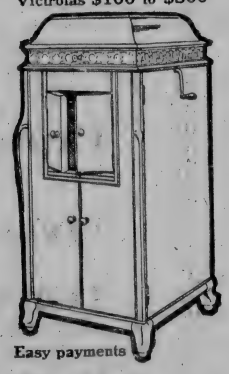

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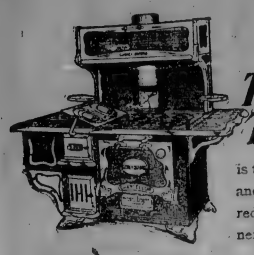

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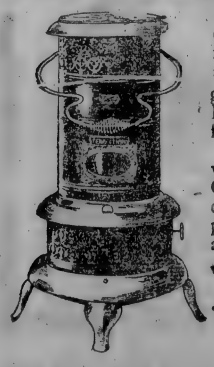

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French Authorities Propose to Establish Communication Between West African Colonies and Algiers

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The French military and colonial authorities are evolving a great scheme of wireless telegraphy, the object of which is to link up across the desert the West African possessions with the great colony of Algeria, and thus bring them into direct communication with Paris. It was at first feared that the electric tension of the atmosphere, which has been frequently noted in the desert, would interfere with the propagation of the Hertzian waves.

Experiments, however, which have been recently carried out at El Biod, Krebuza, Mecheria and Colomb-Bechar prove conclusively that such is not the case, for notwithstanding that the apparatus was of the most rudimentary character it was found possible to receive not only the signals agreed upon from the post at Forte de L'Eau, near Algiers, but even communications emanating from certain English and great transatlantic stations. These experiments will now be continued at Elgolea and further south, but there seems no reason to doubt that in the near future the most distant posts occupied by the French in Central Africa will be connected by wireless telegraphy.

This scheme, though it will precede, will nevertheless not supersede, the older project of a trans-Saharan telegraph line from Algeria to West Africa, which has already been partly surveyed, but which, from the fact that it will have to be carried over twelve hundred miles of desert, will be a long and difficult operation. Its construction is recognized as more than ever necessary now that it is proposed to explore the regions of the Sahara in aeroplanes. Indeed, it is difficult to conceive it possible that an aviator would expose himself to the perils of the desert without stations to which he might repair in case of accident.

The construction of the telegraph line, along which, at intervals of 200 or 250 miles refuges would be erected where he might take in supplies or await a return of fair weather, would therefore serve a two-fold purpose. Then halting places would serve yet another end, in that they could be utilized as relay stations by the couriers already connecting the Upper Niger and Algeria.

GRAZIER TROUBLES

Police Protect Cattle Owner When Herd Is Driven Back Upon Estate

DUBLIN, Dec. 19.—A land dispute over the Ballybeg farm at Tulsk, near Castlebar, took an unexpected and exciting aspect the other morning, when the grazier's stock, accompanied by an enormous force of police, were driven to the farm. The farm is on the Crofton estate, which has been purchased by the estates commissioners, and is now handed over to a County Galway grazier named Payne. In connection with this farm a great baton charge by the police took place a couple of weeks ago. The people heard that the stock was to be driven back to the farm, and about 600 of them assembled at the main entrance. One hundred policemen under County Inspector O'Connell, of Roscommon, and District Inspector Ryan, charged the crowd and batoned them in all directions. The unfortunate people were taken unawares on a narrow roadway, and before they could escape some of them were felled to the ground, where they lay with blood streaming from them. The police kicked some of the unfortunates. One man named Healy, a district councillor, and treasurer of the local branch of the league, was lying on the road with blood streaming from wounds, one on each side of his head. While in this condition one policeman dragged him up, while another beat him with his baton till the man cried for mercy, and asked them not to kill him. Several other members of the crowd were found lying on the roadside after the charge was over badly cut about the head and face.

At 4 o'clock one morning this week 60 head of cattle, accompanied by the grazier and his men, and escorted by 50 police, started from the grazier's resident at Ballymoe for Ballybeg, a distance of eight miles. The cattle, which were driven in small lots surrounded by the police, arrived at Ballintubber before dawn. The procession was met by another force of 50 police, under District Inspector McLelland, Castlerea, and the whole party proceeded to Ballybeg, where another force of police were in waiting. The plans of the drive were kept so secret by the authorities that owing to the early hour at which it took place the cattle were driven in on the farm without meeting with any hostile demonstration on the part of the people.

As soon as the news spread horns began to blow, and people began to assemble from all directions. The wildest excitement prevailed in the district, but nothing serious has occurred up to the present time.

Jews Expelled from Moscow.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—Forty Jewish families will be expelled from Moscow on January 14 next, as they do not come within the provisions of the law, recently approved by the emperor, permitting Jewish merchants of the First Guild and their families to reside in the city and province of Moscow. Fifty young men also will be expelled, as the provisions of the law permit only children under age to reside with their parents.

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Many Communications Being Received From Children Addressed to the Christmas time Patron Saint

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Yesterday there were quite a few letters posted locally addressed to Santa Claus. Here is one from a little fellow six years of age. He says:

"Dear Santa Claus: Please send me a sleigh—no matter snow or rain. You will please send me a sleigh. I am a little boy 6 3-4 years old.—Willie."

Another little writer wants a box of soldiers and a butterfly. Poor Santa Claus. In his ice-fields of the north he will have hard work to find a butterfly. The writer, who shall be nameless, says:

"Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a box of soldiers and please bring me a butterfly, and please bring me a galloping horse, and please bring me a mask, and please bring me a hot air engine."

Still another young correspondent of Santa Claus pleads not alone for himself, but for his baby brother, and his little sister. He writes:

"Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a money bank, and please bring me a rocking horse. And will you please bring me a little steamer and a little ladder wagon. And will you please bring me a little box of soldiers, and a little cannon. And please bring my baby a rattle, and a picture book, and a jumping jack and a little horse and wagon, for my dear baby Arthur. And will you, please bring my sister a little doll and a dolles carriage. And please bring her a dolles bed, and please bring her a jumping jack, and please bring her a dolles house."

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BOLD RAID

Seven Men Hold Up Gamblers in New York and Get Their Money—Two Men Injured

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Seven men walked into a Tenderloin gambling club Sunday morning, held up the twenty-five inmates and robbed them of all their money and valuables. The exact amount of the haul is not known.

The raid was evidently planned, for it was executed with precision. The leaders brushed past the lookout at the door, shouting "Hands up," and then fired a dozen shots over the heads of the men in the room to frighten them. One man demurred and jumped from a second story window. He was found lated lying on the pavement with a broken arm. Some shots were returned and in the exchange another man was wounded by a stray bullet.

There was blood on the floor when the police entered, but the rooms were empty. The injured man on the pavement said the whole affair was over in a twinkling. The robbers fled down the stairs to the street, and the club members, who did not court the acquaintance of the police, followed swiftly. No arrests were made, and the identity of the wounded man is unknown.

Methodist Treasurer Dead.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—George B. Johnson, general treasurer of the Methodist Episcopal church of the United States, died here Saturday. He was 75 years old.

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STOCK MARKET SHOWS REVIVAL

Some Srength Diplayed at Yesterday's Session of New York Exchange—Some Investment Demand Reported

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Greater activity and higher prices characterized today's movement in the stock market, with the recent betterment in bonds well sustained. The advance in stocks resulted largely from extensive short covering by traders, although commission houses reported a moderate investment demand. Much of this came from Boston, Chicago and southwestern points.

The coal stocks were especially strong during the greater part of the day, although Lehigh Valley subsequently lost all its gain. The strength of the Harriman issues seemed to come from the buying by interests commercially recognized as substantial, and may have had its origin in the excellent statement sent forth by the Southern Pacific company last week. The heaviness of United States Steel was in marked contrast to the line of the general list, and by common consent was ascribed to the prevailing conditions in the steel and iron industries. There was, however, good demand for steel sinking fund bonds.

Western railroad officials reported a heavier movement in merchandise and the eastern roads made a better showing in the way of increased tonnage.

Transactions for London's account in this market were estimated at 25,000 shares, with a fairly large balance on the buying side. London's own markets were featureless. Local monetary conditions are unchanged, while greater ease is shown at western reserve centers, and all fears of a stringency, however, temporary, are now set at rest.

The bond market reflected the general improvement shown in that class of securities. Total sales, par value, $2,890,000. United States bonds were unchanged.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

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Stock—		Bid.	Closing Asked.
Amal. Copper	64¾	63¾	64⅝
Am. Beet Sugar	44¼	44⅞	44⅞
Amer. Loco.	37⅛	36½	37
Amer. Smelt.	75⅜	74⅜	74⅞
Amer. Sugar	..	..	114
Anaconda	39½	39⅜	39½
Atchison	101⅞	101⅛	101¾
B. and O.	106⅝	106¼	106¼
B. R. T.	75¾	74½	75¼
C. P. R.	195¼	193⅜	195
Cent. Leather	32⅞	31¼	32⅝
Ches. and Ohio	81¾	80¼	81¼
C. and G. W.	..	..	22⅛
C. M. and S. P.	124¾	123	123½
Colo. F. and I.	32	31¾	31¾
Colo. Southern	..	..	57
Con. Gas	134½	133¼	134
D. and R. G.	..	..	29
Erie	28¼	27¾	28⅛
Goldfield Cons.	8½	8⅜	8⅜
Gt. Nor. pfd	124½	123¼	124
Illinois Cent.	..	..	130½
Inter-Met.	..	..	20¾
K. C. Southern	31¼	30⅞	31
L. and N.	144¾	144	144½
Mackay Co.'s	..	..	90¼
Lehigh Valley	181¾	180⅞	180⅞
M. S. P., S. S. M.	..	..	130½
do pfd	..	..	146
M. K. and T.	32⅛	31¾	31¾
Missouri Pac.	47	46½	47
Nevada Cons.	18¾	18⅛	18⅝
N. Y. Cent.	113	111½	113
N. Y. O. and W.	..	..	41
Norfolk and W.	101¼	100¾	..
Northern Pac.	116¼	115¾	116
Pacific Mail	29	28⅜	28¾
Pennsyl. Ry.	129½	129	129⅜
Peoples Gas	105¾	105½	105
Reading	151¼	149¼	150¾
Rep. Iron and S.	..	..	30⅞
Rock Island	30¾	30⅛	30½
Sloss Sheffield	..	..	48¾
Southern Pac.	115⅝	114⅜	115½
Southern Ry.	27½	25¾	27⅜
Tenn. Copper	..	..	35¼
Texas Pac.	26¼	25¾	26¼
Union Pac.	171¾	170¼	171⅜
U. S. Rubber	34¾	33	34⅜
U. S. Steel	71⅝	70⅝	73⅜
do pfd	116¾	116½	116⅝
Utah Copper	46	43⅜	45½
Virginia Chem.	62¾	62¼	62½
Wabash	16¾	16½	16¾
do pfd	34¾	34⅜	34½
Western Union	74¾	73¾	74⅛
Westinghouse	..	..	67½
Wisconsin Cent.	..	..	56

Money on call 2 per cent.
Total sales, 510,900 shares.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—It was the impression in the local trade that the market was prevented from following rather bearish news for the session by supporting orders placed by the bull interests around 95½ at the opening and later around 95¼ and that this sort of buying took most of the wheat off the market. Liverpool showed decided weakness at the opening here and cables stated that the pressure was because of offerings of La Plata wheat for early shipment and continued favorable reports from Russia and Australia. The trade had the usual run of complaints from the southwest in regard to the dry weather causing a poor start for crops. As a matter of fact bull news had nothing to do with the support in the market. It came from the people who have large holdings of wheat and the trade fearing some move in that quarter hesitated to press the selling side of the market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	91¼	91¼	90¾	90⅞
May	95⅜	95½	95⅛	95⅜
July	92⅞	93⅛	92¾	92⅞
Corn—				
Dec.	45½	45½	45¼	45¼
May	47¼	47⅜	47	47⅛
July	48	48⅛	47⅞	47⅞
Oats—				
Dec.	31⅛	31¼	31⅛	31¼
May	34	34	33¾	33⅞
July	33⅞	33⅞	33¾	33¾
Pork—				
Jan.	19.47	19.60	19.35	19.45
May	18.17	18.22	18.05	18.15
Lard—				
Jan.	10.22	10.40	10.32	10.40
May	10.05	10.10	10.00	10.07
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	10.25	10.30	10.20	10.27
May	9.65	9.67	9.57	9.62

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Stock—	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta Canadian Oil	.08	.10
Amer. Canadian Oil	.24½	.25½
Canadian Northwest Oil	.08	.12½
Alberta Coal and Coke	.03	.04
Diamond Vale C. and C.	.08	.10½
International C. and C.	.67	.68
Nicola Valley C. and C.	.60	.90
Royal Collieries	.21	.25
Western C. and C.	1.40	1.75
B. C. Perm. Loan	125.00	140.00
Dominion Trust Co.	100.00	110.00
Gt. West Perm. (a)	126.00	128.00
Gt. West Perm. (b)	122.00	126.00
Stewart Land	.17	.22
S. A. Scrip	640.00	685.00
Bitter Creek	..	.40
Glacier Creek	..	.20
Main Reef	..	.25½
Portland Canal	.20¼	.20½
Red Cliffs	1.39	1.42
Stewart M. and D.	2.25	2.75
Klaskino	.15	.16
Lasquetl	..	.02
Lucky Calumet	.03	.05
Lucky Jim	.15	.25
Nugget Gold	.90	1.00
Rambler Cariboo	.26	.29
Snowstorm	.35	.45
Snowshoe	.02	.03½

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1000 American Can. Oil at .25.

Vancouver Stock Sales.

5000 Portland Canal Mining Co. at .20½; 2000 at .20¾.
5 Gt. West Perm. (a) at $126.50.
1000 Lasqueti Mines at .01¾.
800 Red Cliff Mining Co. at $1.39; 200 at 1.39½.
3000 American Can. Oil at .26; 3000 at .25; 1000 at .24¾.
500 International Coal at .68; 500 at .68¼.
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1750 Portland Canal Mining at .20¼; 1500 at .20¾; 1000 at .20½.
500 Red Cliff at $1.37; 900 at 1.37½; 100 at 1.38½; 800 at 1.38.
2000 American Can. Oil at .24¾; 3000 at .24½.

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MISCELLANEOUS

VICTORIA OPERATIVE PLASTERERS.—Opening of new lodge. A meeting will be held in Labor Hall on Thursday, December 22. All Plasterers interested in the above are requested to attend, the charter and seal having arrived.

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FOUR GOOD HOUSES, CLOSE TO DOUG-las street, just outside half-mile circle; price $5,500; terms to suit purchaser.

HOLMIE AVENUE.—1 LOT; GOOD VIEW. high and dry; price, $835; terms.

FERNWOOD ROAD.—4-ROOMED MOD-ern house, bath and pantry; close to car; price, $2,250; any terms.

ONLY A FEW SASKATOON LOTS LEFT at $75; $10 down, $5 per month. They are going up on the first of the year. Buy them now.

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COOK STREET.—5 FINE MODERN DWEL-lings; lot fronting on 3 streets; will be business property very shortly; $12,500.

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One of the nicest Eight-Roomed New and Fully Modern Homes in the city. It is within ten minutes' walk of the City Hall and is in a good locality, built on a large lot, and beautifully finished from garret to cellar.

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A Nice bungalow on the Esquimalt road, at $25 per month.

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One Mile from Duncans, on the E. & N. railway, 20 acres, all cleared, two in orchard, two in alfalfa, balance under cultivation, with a large house containing three sitting rooms, four bedrooms, with a bath and furnace, water and gas is laid on to the house, also a phone, lawn, etc. An ideal homesite, half the purchase price can re-main on mortgage if necessary.

Legislative Assembly

PRIVATE BILLS

NOTICE

The time limited by the Rules of the House for the presentation of Petitions for Private Bills will expire on the 22nd day of January, 1910.

Private bills must be presented to the House on or before the 2nd day of Feb-ruary, 1910.

Reports of Standing or Select Committees upon Private Bills will not be received after the 9th day of February, 1910.

If the rules are suspended to allow a petition to be received or a bill pre-sented, double fees are payable.

Dated this 25th day of October, 1910.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE

In the Matter of an Application by the Ocean Falls Co., Limited, Under the Land Act.

COAST DISTRICT, BRITISH CO-LUMBIA.

TAKE NOTICE that the Ocean Falls Co., Limited, a corporation having its head office in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, in-tends to apply for permission to pur-chase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of lot thirty-one (31) in the Coast district, thence east forty (40) chains, thence north twenty (20) chains, thence west ninety-six (96) chains to the shore line of Cousins In-let, thence southeasterly along the said shore line to the point of commence-ment, and containing one hundred and thirty-six (136) acres more or less.

ERNEST WALKER,
Residence—1700 Barclay St., Vancou-ver, B. C.
Occupation—Lumberman.
Agent for Ocean Falls Co., Limited, 711 Dominion Trust Building, Vancouver, B. C.; A. Power and Pulp Company.
Dated Sept. 29th, 1910.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve existing by reason of the notice published in the B. C. Gazette of the 27th of December, 1907, over lands situated on Cortez Island, for-merly covered by Timber Licenses Nos. 27195 and 35420 is cancelled, and that the said lands will be open to location at midnight on March 16th, 1911.

ROBERT A. RENWICK,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands.
Lands Department, Victoria, B. C., 9th December, 1910.

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TAKE NOTICE that the Ocean Falls Co., Limited, a corporation having its head office in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, in-tends to apply for permission to pur-chase the following described land, which consists of foreshore and seabed:

Commencing at a post upon the shore line of Cousins Inlet about two hun-dred feet (200 ft.) north of the south-west corner of lot thirty-one (31), Coast district, thence west along the said shore line a distance of three hun-dred feet (300 ft.) thence north two thousand nine hundred and seventy-five (2975 ft.) to the shore line of lot two hundred and five (205), thence along the said shore line in an easterly southerly and westerly direction to the point of commencement and containing fifty-seven (57) acres more or less.

ERNEST WALKER,
Residence—1700 Barclay St., Vancou-ver, B. C.
Occupation—Lumberman.
Agent for Ocean Falls Co., Limited, 711 Dominion Trust Building, Vancouver, B. C.; A. Power and Pulp Company.
Dated Sept. 29th, 1910.

SOOKE MEASURE STILL NOT PASSED

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methods, a statement which occa-sioned a furore and an amount of useless cross firing which was joined in by Alderman Humber, who shook his fist at Aldermen Langley and Bannermen, calling upon them to "be men."

It was Alderman Raymond who fin-ally came into the breach and by his suggestion that the by-law be laid over until Thursday night when a special meeting could be held, cast oil on troubled waters. Alderman Ban-nerman getting in the last word when he declared that while the mayor had threatened to veto Alderman Lang-ley's amendment to the by-law the city solicitor had stated that such amendment was in perfect order.

It was exactly at midnight when the session closed.

INQUIRY INTO CANADIAN TRADE

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vised that the union must be prose-cuted for breach of the arbitration law.

Charge of Wife-Murder

A foundry hand, named Smart, in Perth, was convicted of bigamy. Dur-ing the hearing of the case, it develop-ed that the first wife of the accused had disappeared mysteriously. The theory of murder was suggested to the police by this fact, and working along these lines a clever detective made some discoveries which set the police at work to dig up the ground around the home of the convicted man. They brought to light scraps of clothing. Then on another clue they dug up the ground around a disused shed near the foundry, where the accused had been employed. Here was discovered the first wife's body, the head of which had been battered in. Smart there-upon was rearrested and charged with the murder.

AMUSEMENTS

"The Wolf"

The Victoria Theatre will offer an ideal holiday attraction on Christmas day. The play chosen for that time is the delightful comedy-drama of Canadian life, "The Wolf." Harold Nelson, who scored such a personal triumph in "Pierre of the Plains," will have a similar role in this production.

Lena Duthie

Miss Lena Duthie, the popular and original Celtic entertainer, who last evening delighted Nanaimoites with her highly original programme illus-trating "Scotland and Ireland in Song and Story," has arranged for a sim-ilar appearance before Victoria friends on Thursday evening of this week, when a programme will be presented at Institute Hall in which the new and up-to-date will be balanced with the old but ever welcome favorites. Both as a peculiarly magnetic and sweet-voiced interpreter of Scottish and Irish music, and as an entertaining story teller in her fascinating talks as to Celtic music, wit and character, Miss Duthie occupies a field alto-gether her own. Her recitals are in consequence refreshingly original and eminently enjoyable. The reservation of seats opens this morning, at Flet-cher Brothers, there having been no mail orders accepted with the excep-tion of the seats engaged for their respective parties by the Lieutenant-Governor and Premier McBride. The Victoria appearance of the favorite Celtic entertainer is under their joint patronage.

"The Time, the Place, and the Girl"

"The Time, the Place and the Girl," to be seen at the Victoria Theatre, Wednesday, Dec. 28, is a musical com-edy of heart interest with a plot of strong dramatic scenes, yet full of fun, laugh-provoking dialogue and humor-ous complications, all set to music, and with its acting possibilities en-hanced by half a dozen unique, but thoroughly lifelike characterizations. For instance, there is the philosophical young "sport," with a mine of wis-dom expressed in clean and down-to-date slang, the trained nurse, worldly wise but a gentlewoman, the proud and petulant daughter of the rich, who is tamed by the "sport," the Ital-ian laborer who provides the senti-ment, the coal heaver who is just "going to be married," and the classy man-about-town, whose wild oats are harvested as gamely as they are sown. With these types cleverly exploited, "The Time, the Place and the Girl" keeps safely out of the conventional rut. It is distinguished by comedy rather than clowning, though there is a bit or two of burlesque interpolated to magnify the contrasts. George Eb-ner again heads the cast, playing the character of Happy Johnny Hicks, the square gambler, a part that is pecu-liarly suited to the droll amiability of his methods.

New Grand Theatre

Oola Boola will certainly be the catch note on the streets of Victoria this week. Sounds like Bella Coola, but it isn't, as the catch line of the melody that Carroll and Cook, the laugh makers of the Grand Theatre bill, have with them this week. Oola Boola has many verses and as many laughs. Sung by Ambrose and Walt-er, that genial pair of singing make-believes, Oola Boola, with its ninety-seven verses, is the hit of the catchy songs of the year. Late in coming, but that is at once forgotten when the immense popularity of Ambrose and Walter is remembered, and now it is here every one will be singing it.

Josephine Ainsley, large as her name, has brought west a song of trans and branches, and something about taking chances. Well, the song itself is taking chances, but it is so de-lightfully sung that the kernel so well buried in the nut that it is some time before the point is dropped on to by these unenlightened Westerners. It was the same in Seattle, Miss Ainsley says. She sings three songs, and is well applauded in each.

McDonald and Huntington offer a dainty and costumed singing act giv-ing the Irish costume melody, full of love and Irish wit, and then changing to a coster love scene and song in which the performers are especially good.

Phil and Nettie Peters are back this way again. Nettie is more handsome than ever. Phil has some elegant jokes with his worship the mayor as the butt. Everything this duo does goes right to the laugh machinery of the audience. Phil has a miniature Beacon Hill below his chest and says everything seen on the stage is not real.

One of the most attractive acts at the Grand this week is young Miss Darnley, whose contortion novelty is unique. By means of dislocating her shoulders she is able to turn her body abnormally, but at all times gracefully. She opens her act with a toe dance on the lines of the ballet, with spot light effects, and makes a big hit be-fore the real work of her commences. The pictures close the show, and throughout it is a first class bill.

Births Marriages Deaths

BORN.

BAKER—On December 16th, at 143 On-tario street, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Baker, a daughter.

M'LEAN—On December 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McLean, 2031 Cedar Hill Road, a son.

TAYLOR—On December 18, to the wife of Charles A. Taylor, a son.

LEIGHTON—At 725 Fort street on De-cember 17th to Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Leighton, a daughter.

DIED.

THOMSON—At Eullmann, Wash., De-cember 18th, Helene Frances, aged 3 years and 5 months; the dearly be-loved daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Fran-cis A. Thomson, M. E., head of min-ing department, State College.

KING—On the 18th inst., at the Royal Jubilee hospital, Michael King, aged 60 years, a native of Grand Rapids, Michigan, U. S. A.

The funeral will take place on Wed-nesday at 3 p. m., from the family resi-dence, No. 148 Caledonia avenue.

Friends please accept this intimation.

THEODORE LUBBE—Native of Hano-ver, Germany, died at his home yes-terday, on Quadra street, at 7:15.

Funeral today from the residence at 9:15, and from the Roman Catholic Cathedral at 9:30.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Tenders will be received by the un-dersigned for the construction of that section of the Canadian Northern Pa-cific Railway from Victoria westerly for a distance of twenty miles.

Tenders to include clearing, grubbing, fencing, grading, bridging, trestles, culverts and masonry.

Plans, profiles and specifications and forms of contract may be seen and tender forms secured at the of-fices of Mackenzie, Mann & Company, Ltd., room 30, 18 Hastings Street, Vancouver, B. C., or 410 Pemberton Block, Victoria, B. C.

Total work to be completed by end of 1911, and tenders to be received at Mackenzie, Mann & Company's offices, Toronto, not later than December 30th, 1910.

The lowest or any tender not neces-sarily accepted.

MACKENZIE, MANN & COMPANY, LTD.

LIQUOR ACT, 1910.
(Section 43.)

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the 31st day of December next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the transfer of the license for the sale of liquor by re-tail in and upon the premises known as the Couch and Horses hotel, situate at Esquimalt Road, British Columbia, from Hugh Simpson to Mary Simpson, of British Columbia.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1910.

HUGH SIMPSON,
Holder of License.
MARY SIMPSON,
Applicant for Transfer.

Great Discount Sale

Thirty per cent. off on all lines of goods. Every customer will be given a nice present on every 50c. worth purchased.

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The Inimitable Interpreter of
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Assisted by
MARGARET DANIEL

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Prices: 50 cents (general) and 75 cents (reserved). Seats now on sale at Fletcher Bros., Ltd., Government St.

NEW EMPRESS THEATRE

TUESDAY

Stronger Sex, Comic.
Making Sherry Wine, Educational.
Unconscious Heroism, Drama (Pathe D'Art).
Science in Morocco, Educational.
Man Haters' Club, Drama.

Admission: 5¢ and 10¢

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.

Tenders for Water Pipes

Tenders, sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned will be received up to noon on Tues-day, the 27th day of December, 1910, for supplying:

BRITISH CAST IRON WATER PIPE AND SPECIAL CASTINGS

Tenders must conform with the terms of the specifications, which may be obtained from

R. FOWLER,
Municipal Engineer.
Law Chambers,
Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for Wharf Approach," will be received by the Honorable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Mon-day, the 2nd day of January, 1911, for the erection and completion of an ap-proach to the Prince Rupert Wharf.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 9th day of December, 1910, at the offices of the Government Agent, Prince Rupert; of the Provincial Tim-ber Inspector, Vancouver; and at the Public Works Department, Victoria, B. C.

A guarantee bond in the sum of five thousand dollars, to be approved by the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, will be required as security for the faithful performance and comple-tion of the work.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified bank cheque or certifi-cate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for the sum of $1,000, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or cer-tificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the ten-derer and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

The lowest or any tender not neces-sarily accepted.

F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer.
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B. C., 5th December, 1910.

THE GRAND WHERE EVERYBODY GOES
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Week Starting Monday, Dec. 19, Laugh and Music Week.

The Men of the Hour, Carroll & Cooke, in doings of the minute, "Joy-ful Jo," Josephine Ainsley, with a cargo of inimitable nonsense. Home again after doing Europe, Phil W. and Nettie Peters, fun in character and all kinds of music. Scintillating Song-sters, McDonald and Huntington, clever characterizations and delightful duets.

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY

The Poor Student, Imp drama, 1000 ft. A Brave Western Girl, western, 1000 ft. His First Contract, comedy. Transportation in India China, educational. Flight of Mr. De La Vallette, historical. Melba, song, and Romano Orchestra.

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY

"Love and the Law."
"The Pilgrim."
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Mr. D. Black.
"With His Concertinas"
Grover Hohmann.
Thomas J. Price

Shows start promptly at 2 and 7 p. m. Admission 10c; children to matinee, 5c

MAJESTIC THEATRE

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

"Sunshine Sue," biograph, 100 feet.

"A Trip Over the Rocky and Selkirk Mts," in Canada, showing Victoria and Calgary, etc. "Her Adopted Parents." "Athletics in India." "An Enterprising Clerk," real comedy.

LIQUOR ACT, 1910.
(Section 42.)

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the first day of December next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of the hotel license to sell liquor by retail in the hotel known as the San Juan hotel, situate at Port Renfrew, West Coast, Vancouver Island, in the Province of British Columbia.

Dated this first day of December, 1910.

J. W. WILLIAMS,
Applicant.
Per J. A. Speck.

CITY OF VICTORIA

A complete list of Local Improvement Works, authorized by Bylaw, from time to time, will be found posted on the Bulletin Board at the main entrance to the City Hall.

ELECTRIC SUPPLIES

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Tuesday, Dec. 27, for the supply of the follow-ing: Tungsten lamps, per hundred; globes, per gross. For particulars see specifications and samples at purchas-ing agent's office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, Dec. 17, 1910.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve existing by reason of the notice published in the B. C. Gazette of the 27th of December, 1907, over lands situate on Texada Island, New West-minster district, formerly covered by Timber License No. 13449, is cancelled, and that the said lands will be open for location under the provisions of the Land Act at midnight on the 22nd of March, 1911.

ROBERT A. RENWICK,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands.
Lands Department, Victoria, B. C., 15th December, 1910.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for a private bill incorporating a com-pany to be known as the British Pacific Trust Company, with power to carry on the business of financiers, concession-aires and merchants, and to undertake and carry on and execute all kinds of financial, commercial, trading and other operations and to purchase or otherwise acquire, sell, dispose of and deal in real and personal property of all kinds; to act as guarantor for any person or per-sons; to undertake the office of trustee, receiver and liquidator, whether official or otherwise, executor, administrator, committee, manager, attorney, delegate, substitute, treasurer and other office or situation of trust or confidence, and with all such powers and privileges as are usual or incidental to all or any of the aforesaid purposes.

Dated December 14th, A.D. 1910.

M'EVOY, WHITESIDE & ROBERTSON,
Cotton Building, Vancouver, B. C.
Solicitors for the Applicants.

DISSOLUTION OF PART-NERSHIP

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting be-tween myself, the undersigned, and W. E. Sandy, as Landscape Architects, in the cities of Vancouver and Victoria, has this day been dissolved. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to G. K. MacLean, at 45 and 46 Fairfield Block, Vancouver, B. C., and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said G. K. MacLean.

Dated at Vancouver, this 26th day of November, 1910.

G. K. MACLEAN.

NOTICE OF PRIVATE BILL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legis-lative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session on behalf of The Corporation of the Dis-trict of Oak Bay, for an Act amending the "Oak Bay Act, 1910," so as to en-able the said corporation to exercise the following powers:

1. To make, purchase or otherwise ac-quire water from The Esquimalt Waterworks Company, or any other company or corporation, private or public, on such terms as may be ar-ranged between the said Council and The Esquimalt Waterworks Company or any other company or companies, and so that any agreement made between the Corporation and The Esquimalt Waterworks Company or any other company or companies, shall take pri-ority over all rights or privileges here-inbefore or hereinafter conferred by statute or otherwise, upon any person or corporation in respect of the use of the said Esquimalt Waterworks Com-pany or any other company or compa-nies.

2. To enter into any agreement or agreements with any other municipali-ty, municipalities or public authori-ties for the purpose of obtaining a joint water supply or supplying water to other municipalities or to individuals or corporations within the limits of such other municipality or contiguous district on such terms as may be agreed upon.

3. To sell water to any other mu-nicipality or corporation.

4. To pass bylaws for all or any of the purposes aforesaid.

5. To lay and maintain water mains and pipelines in, upon, through and under the highways and roads in the Districts of Victoria, Lake and Saan-ich, or any of them, and in, upon, through and over the lands of any per-son or persons, or bodies corporate; and for such purposes to enter upon, cut and dig up such highways, roads, lands and premises;

6. To borrow moneys on the security of water, sewer, or gas or electric light rentals, rates or charges, for the pur-pose of purchasing, constructing and laying sewers, water mains, gas mains or electric light wires.

7. To set aside, pay and raise the sinking fund and interest referred to in the Water Works Loan Bylaw, 1909, and the Water Works Loan Bylaw, 1910, out of the water rates to be levied under any bylaw passed under sub-section one (1) of section two (2), of the Oak Bay Act, 1910, instead of setting aside and paying such interest and sinking fund as mentioned in said bylaws.

8. To assess property for local im-provements up to sixty per cent of the assessed value.

9. To borrow moneys for purchasing fire engines and equipment and equip-ping a fire department; purchasing firehall site and erecting fire halls; and to amend the provisions of the said Act relating to local improvements.

Dated the 9th day of December, 1910.

BODWELL & LAWSON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

TENDERS FOR WRECK OF STEAMER "FERN."

Bids will be received by the under-signed up to noon on the 22nd day of December for the wreck of the steam-ing "Fern," as she now lies partly sub-merged at Tongue Point, Nor West Bay, Vancouver Island.

Tenders must be accompanied by cer-tified cheque covering ten per cent of the bid. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

R. P. RITHET & CO.,
Victoria, B. C.
Agents for the Underwriters.

Tenders for Fire Appar-atus and Supplies

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m., Thursday, December 22nd, 1910, for the following: One 75-foot quick hoisting Aerial Truck, 2 500 Imperial Gallons Steam Fire Engines, 2 Motor Propelled Hose Wagons, 3700 feet 2½ inch Rubber Lined Cotton Fire Hose, 300 feet 3 inch Rubber Lined Cotton Fire Hose. All as per specifications, which can be seen at this office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, December 7, 1910.

NOTICE

NOTICE is HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legis-lative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a Stock Ex-change with power to compile records, publish statistics and distribute infor-mation respecting the produce, provi-sion, grain, financial, lumber, indus-trial, manufacturing and mining trades and businesses; to acquire and distri-bute information respecting stocks, shares, bonds and securities of any company or corporation; to provide and regulate a suitable building or build-ings, room or rooms for a Stock Ex-change and offices in the city of Vic-toria and elsewhere; to promote the es-tablishment, maintenance, and uniform-ity of the business of its members and those dealingwith them, and with power to adjust and settle controversies be-tween persons engaged in the said business; to make, establish, annul and amend such proper and needful rules, regulations and bylaws therefor and for the government of the Stock Exchange as may be deemed expedient and neces-sary for the interest and administra-tion of the property and affairs of the Stock Exchange; to enforce and regulate and enforce such rules, regulations and bylaws; to regulate the mode of vot-ing at any ordinary, special or general meeting; to maintain and regulate ex-change offices and property therefor; and with all other powers that may be necessary and requisite for carrying out the foregoing objects, and for the ad-ministration of the affairs of the Stock Exchange.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 2nd day of November, 1910.

BODWELL & LAWSON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. IN PROBATE. KENNEDY FURDON BELL, DECEASED.

Notice to Creditors

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," all cred-itors and others having claims against the estate of Henry Furdon Bell, for-merly of Victoria, B. C., who died on the 18th day of October, 1910, are re-quired to send to the undersigned the solicitors for the executrix and execu-tor on or before the 25th day of De-cember, 1910, full particulars of their claims duly verified and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after the said 25th day of December, 1910, the said executrix and executor will pro-ceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they have had notice, and that the said executrix and execu-tor will not be liable for the said as-sets or any part thereof to any person or persons whose claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such dis-tribution.

All parties indebted to the said es-tate are required to pay such indebted-ness to the executrix and executor forthwith.

Dated November 21st, 1910.

POOLEY, LUXTON & POOLEY,
Chancery Chambers, Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for Agnes Boll and Charles E. Pooley, the Ex-ecutrix and Executor.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANN BALLANTINE DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Trustees' and Executors' Act, that all creditors of the estate of the de-ceased Ann Ballantine are required on or before the thirty-first day of De-cember, one thousand nine hundred and ten, to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned solici-tors for Agnes Alexandra McDougall, executrix of the said estate, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this twenty-ninth day of November, 1910.

ELLIOTT, MACLEAN & SHANDLEY,
Law Chambers, Bastion Street.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve existing by reason of the notice published in the B. C. Gazette of the 27th of December, 1907, over lands situate at Kingcome Inlet, for-merly covered by Timber License No. 44995 is cancelled, and that the said lands will be open for location under the provisions of the Land Act at mid-night on March 16th, 1911.

ROBERT A. RENWICK,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands.
Lands Department, Victoria, B. C., 9th December, 1910.

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One-Piece Dresses

IN THE NEWEST STYLES

Fabrics include panamas, serges, voiles, pongee silk and brussels nets. There are many plain, practical dresses for the business woman, as well as dainty afternoon gowns. In simple styles.

Prices Range from $10 to $25

Toys in Endless Variety

Jointed Dolls, dressed in the fashions most worn by children .... **50¢**
Jointed Character Dolls, dressed in costumes of many countries, moving eyes, good quality wigs. Prices range from 75c to **$3.00**
Jointed Dolls, with bisque heads, moving eyes, blond or dark hair, daintily dressed. Prices range 75c to **$5.00**
Dolls' Furniture, in drawing-room, bedroom, dining-room or kitchen sets. This furniture is light, neatly packed and very convenient for mailing. Prices range from $3.50 to .... **25¢**
Doll Buggies, with strong steel body and heavy wheels, covered with good quality leatherette **$1.50**
Teddy Bears, medium size **$1.50**
Teddy Bears in all sizes. Prices range $17.50 to .... **25¢**
Whips, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c and .... **50¢**
Swords. Prices range from .... **10¢**
Boy Scout's Outfit, including hat, haversack, flask, pouch and belt, also stick. Price **$1.50**
Toy Soldiers, in sets, from $2.75 to .... **25¢**
Furry Animals, including Cats, Dogs, Monkeys, Elephants, Lambs, Rabbits, Donkeys. Prices ranging from 25c to **$1.50**
A large range of Mechanical Toys, Airships, Flying Birds, Boats, Train, Stationary Engines, also Fire Escapes, etc. Prices ranging from 75c to **$25.00**

A List of Holiday Hints

As Christmas draws nearer, we find each day something or some one that has been overlooked. In the following list you will find many helpful suggestions:

CHRISTMAS LEATHER GOODS

Hand Bags, of solid leather, fitted with vanity pieces and change purse. Price **$2.25**
Hand Bag, of black leather, German silver frame, lined with moire, fitted with change purse **$1.75**
Collar Boxes of solid leather, lined with silk, and fitted with drawstring top. Price **$1.00**
Euchre Decks, encased in genuine seal cover, book style. Score sets, ivory cards with gilt edge **$2.00**
Euchre Decks, same as above, with morocco covers **$1.00**
Leather Jewel Safe, fitted with trays divided into separate jewel compartments, well padded. Has strong lock **$3.00**
Alligator Coin Trays **$1.25**
Identification Purse, 50c and .... **75¢**
Women's Card Cases **$1.00**
Cigar Cases .... **75¢**
Men's Cuff Boxes **$1.25**
Writing Cases **$17.50**

JEWELRY DEPARTMENT

Tie Pins of 10k gold. Pearl set in designs of fleur de lis, lover's knot, crescents, wish-bones, stars, crosses, etc. **$2.50**
Reproductions of Old-Fashioned Brooches, gold-filled, set with amethyst or topaz **$2.50**
Cuff Links, with genuine Oriental pear. Solid 1-piece .... **50¢**
Sterling Silver Thimbles, 35c, 50c and .... **75¢**
Dutch Collar Pins. Prices range 50c to **$5.00**

MANICURE AND DRESSER SETS

"Silveroid" Dresser Sets, consisting of bevelled plate mirror, best bristles brush and silveroid mounted comb, in the newest designs **$12.00**
Manicure and Dresser Sets, mounted in sterling silver. Each set comes in a well finished leatherette case, lined with satin. Prices ranging from $6.00 to **$25.00**
Monogram Engraved Free

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

"Spencer's" Christmas Ruching Box .... **25¢**
Tabs and Jabots of fine lawn, finished with lace and embroidery in many dainty effects .... **50¢**
Ties and Tabs, embroidered in many new color combinations .... **50¢**
Christmas Collars, Stocks, Bows, Ties, Jabots and Collar and Cuff Sets, in eyelet, Swiss and colored embroidery, also fine net, lace and Persian effects. Prices range from $5.00 to .... **25¢**

MUFFLERS

Fancy Boxed Mufflers, in mercerized cotton, all colors .... **50¢**
Silk Mufflers, feather design, long fringe ends. All colors .... **50¢**
Childrens' Mercerized Mufflers, white only .... **35¢**

CHRISTMAS BELTS

Christmas Belts, in gift boxes, high grade elastic, jet studded, cut steel buckle **$1.75**
Patent Colt Belts, plain, two-inch band, with red and brass buckle, also plain gunmetal **$1.00**
Opalescent Beaded Belt, of heavy elastic, shaped buckle of self **$1.25**

Special Sales List for Tonight, 7:30

Cologne

Johann Maria Farina—Dr. E. Meitzen, Am Dom zu Koln 4-oz size. Regular 50c, for .... **25¢**

Special Tonight, at 7:30

This Cologne is the famous Unical, Two Steeples Brand, and is recognized as one of the best on the market. Cologne is invaluable as a purifying, refreshing and reviving agent, and is especially useful in cases of faintness and headache.

A bottle of the Unical brand ought to be in every household.

25c Tonight, at 7:30 25c

Sale of Christmas Neckwear, To-night, at 7:30, for 35c

This sale of Neckwear includes Jabots, Tulle Bows, Gibson Collars, Stocks of Japanese silk, Nets and embroidery. Regular values up to $1.00. Tonight, 7:30 .... **35c**

Hand Bags

Huge special in Hand Bags, consisting of 200 Leather Hand Bags, in black and brown. Regular $2.00. 7:30 .... **$1.00**

Fur Neck Pieces and Muffs

Fur Neck Pieces and Muffs, in marmot, grey squirrel, Japanese mink and sealette. Neck Pieces in stole and throw styles. Rug and Pillow Muffs. Values up to $25.00. Tonight 7:30 .... **$13.75**

Hammered Brass

Umbrella Stands, Cake Stands, Music Racks, Fern Pots and Stands, Smokers' Sets on Stands. Regular value up to $12.75. Tonight 7:30 .... **$5.00**

Fancy Chris'mas Linens, 7:30, To-night, for 50c

6 dozen Fancy Linens, consisting of Battenberg and Swiss Runners and Squares. Regular $1.00. Tonight 7:30 .... **50c**

Parlor Chairs and Rockers

Chairs and Rockers, with birch and mahogany frames, well upholstered in good quality brocade and velour. Regular values to $9.75. Tonight 7:30 .... **$4.75**

High Class Christmas Novelties

A large selection of Drawing-room Clocks, Vases in various sizes, Fruit Comports, Trinket Caskets, etc., in "Monte" Earthenware. Decorations carried out in Grecian pastoral scenes.

Clocks, $2.25 to **$4.50**
Vases, $1.00 to **$2.50**
Fruit Comports **$2.75**
Trinket Caskets **$2.25**
Fire Screens of carved oak and teak, double panel, fluted Roman satin **$1.50**
Fire Screens as above, treble panel. The centre has old English pastoral scenes, sides of fluted Roman satin **$1.75**

Slippers for Everyone

You will find many dainty and warm Slippers in our Christmas stock, all at the lowest prices.

Women's All Felt Slippers .... **25¢**
Women's All Felt Slippers, extra thick felt soles, assorted colors. Prices, 75c, 60c, 50c .... **35¢**
Women's Felt Slippers, with flexible leather soles, black and red .... **50¢**
Women's Velvet Slippers, thick felt soles .... **60¢**
Women's Jaeger Felt Slippers, turnover collar, thick felt and leather soles .... **60¢**
Men's All-Felt Slippers. Price .... **35¢**
Men's Felt Slippers, flexible soles .... **60¢**
Men's Jaeger Felt Slippers, thick felt and leather soles .... **60¢**
Children's Jaeger Felt Slippers, thick felt and leather soles, ankle strap .... **50¢**

Fine China Tea and Dinner Sets

We have just opened some very fine China Dinner and Tea Sets. These sets make a very much appreciated Christmas gift. China Dinner Set of 99 pieces.

2 Platters, 2 Covered Vegetable Dishes, 1 S. Tureen, 1 Sugar Bowl, 1 Jug and Basin, 12 Dinner Plates, 12 Pie Plates, 12 Bread and Butter Plates, 12 Soup Plates, 12 Fruit Saucers, 12 Cups and Saucers, 1 Teapot. Prices range from $45.00 to **$18.25**

TEA SETS

40 Pieces, fine China, gilt edge, 12 Cups and Saucers, 12 Tea Plates, 2 Cake Plates, 1 Bowl and Creamer **$5.75**

Christmas Ribbons

Christmas Baby Ribbons, just received. A large stock of highest grade Taffetas to seleft from.

¼ in., per bolt .... **35¢**
⅓ in., per bolt .... **50¢**
⅜ in., per bolt .... **65¢**
¼ in., per bolt .... **50¢**
⅓ in., per bolt .... **60¢**
⅜ in., per bolt .... **85¢**
½ in., per bolt **$1.40**

Children's Capes for Christmas Gifts

Children's Rain Capes, of grey striped rubber, well lined throughout. Made in Red Riding style. These Capes are absolutely rainproof, each comes packed in a holly box, and are in every way very suitable Christmas gifts. Ages 4 to 14 years, prices, $2.00 to **$3.50**

Practical Aprons

Holland Aprons, of a good strong quality. Price .... **25¢**
Gingham Aprons, in light and dark shades. Price .... **25¢**
Aprons, made of good quality gingham, in light and dark shades of blue. Price .... **50¢**
Overall Aprons, of heavy prints, in various designs and colors. Special **45¢**
Nurses' Aprons, of heavy linen. Prices range, 50c, 65c .... **75¢**